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Incorporating REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING
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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS of WORLD OF RADIO 1896, September 19-26, 2017

Tue 2130	WRMI	9455 [confirmed]; 15770 [off the air, post-Irma]
Tue 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [confirmed]
Wed 1030	WRMI	5850 9455
Wed 1315	WRMI	9955
Wed 2100	WBCQ	7490v [confirmed]
Wed 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [confirmed]
Thu 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [confirmed]
Fri 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB [confirmed]
Sat 0630	HLR	6190-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1431	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1930v	WA0RCR	1860-AM
Sat 2230	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB
Sat 2300	WRMI	11580
Sun 0200	WRMI	11580
Sun 0310v	WA0RCR	1860-AM
Sun 1030	HLR	9485-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sun 2330	WBCQ	9330v-CUSB
Mon 0300v	WBCQ	5130v-AM Area 51
Mon 0330	WRMI	9955

Mon 2330 WBCQ   9330v-CUSB
Tue 0030 WRMI   7730

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http://schedule.worldofradio.org or http://sked.worldofradio.org

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WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS:
Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club.
http://www.rmrc.de/index.php/rmrc-audio-plattform/podcast/glenn-hauser-wor

ALTERNATIVE PODCASTS, tnx Stephen Cooper:
http://shortwave.am/wor.xml

ANOTHER PODCAST ALTERNATIVE, tnx to Keith Weston:
http://feeds.feedburner.com/GlennHausersWorldOfRadio

NOW tnx to Keith Weston, also Podcasts via iTunes:
https://itunes.apple.com/us/podcast/glenn-hausers-world-of-radio/id1123369861

AND via Google Play Music:
http://bit.ly/worldofradio

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http://www.worldofradio.com/audiomid.html
or http://wor.worldofradio.org

DAY-BY-DAY ARCHIVE OF GLENN HAUSER`S LOG REPORTS:
Unedited, uncondensed, unchanged from original version, many of
them too complex, minutely researched, multi-frequency, opinionated,
inconsequential, off-topic, or lengthy for some log editors to
manage; and also ahead of their availability in these weekly issues:
http://www.hard-core-dx.com/index.php?topic=Hauser

NOTE: I have *resolved* to make DXLD leaner, more selective, as I
seriously need to reduce my workload, much of which has been merely
editing gobs of material into presentable form. This makes it even
more important to be a member of the DXLD yg for additional material
which may not make it into weekly issues (gh)

DXLD YAHOOGROUP: Why wait for DXLD? A lot more info, not all of it
appearing in DXLD later, is posted at our yg without delay.

When applying, please identify yourself with your real name and

location, and say something about why you want to join. Those who do not, unless I recognize them, will be prompted once to do so and no action will be taken otherwise. Here`s where to sign up:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxld/

** AFGHANISTAN. Weak to fair signal of R. Afghanistan External Service on Sept 15
1532 & 1602 6100*YAK 100 kW / 125 deg SoAs English/Urdu and off 1615
* co-ch same 6100 KNG 250 kW / non-dir to NEAs Korean KCBS Pyongyang
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/weak-to-fair-signal-of-radio_16.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via DXLD)

** ANGUILLA. Caribbean Beacon Status from Latest "Wavescan" Program

According to the program, hosted this week by Ray Robinson while Jeff was otherwise occupied, the AM tower [1610 kHz] on Anguilla was knocked down, while the SW towers are still up but the curtain antenna between them was severely damaged. The owners of the stations plan on getting them back up and running in perhaps as little as three weeks. Also on "Wavescan" this week were a couple of audio reports from Jeff, one recorded at the height of the storm (-- Richard Langley, Sept 18, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANTARCTICA. 15476, LRA 36, Radio Nacional Arc·ngel San Gabriel, Base Esperanza, 1840-1901, 18-09, Latin American songs, comments. Very weak. 15321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARMENIA. Armenian Public Radio started on 6155 kHz [and ??? gh]
http://armradio.am/
(Mauno Ritola, 14 September,
https://www.facebook.com/groups/wrthgroup/ via RusDX Sept 17 via DXLD)

Random reception of Armenian Public Radio on Sept 15
0805-0810 on 7520 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg to WeAs Armenian & off
0805-0810 on 9580 ERV 100 kW / 125 deg to WeAs Armenian & off
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/random-reception-of-armenian-public_15.html

KURDISTAN(non), Reception of Denge Kurdistan, Sept.15:
0658-0802 on 7520 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg to WeAs Kurdish
0658-0802 on 9580 ERV 100 kW / 125 deg to WeAs Kurdish
// frequency 11600 KCH 300 kW / 130 deg to WeAs is off!
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-denge-kurdistan-sept15.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via DXLD) See KURDISTAN

** ARMENIA. RADIO MI AMIGO NEWSFLASH SEPTEMBER 2017

Hello to all Radio Mi Amigo International friends,

Another HIGH POWER broadcast at the end of this month! On Sunday, September, 24th we will play Soul/Tamla Motown as requested from the listeners! The "Host" of the show will be our 'Soulman' Bruno Hantson together with Keith Lewis and Bob James.
Date/Time/Frequency:
September 24, from 19 to 21 hr CET (17-19 UT) with 100 kW of power on SW 25 m band on 11845 kHz and online via our webstreams:
http://radiomiamigointernational.com
.....coming soon.....
At the end of October there will be another 'high power' broadcast! Also we will welcome 2 more "big names" from the Netherlands in our team who worked on offshore-stations in the 70s and 80s.

Don't forget to listen every day from 09 to 19 hr CET on 6085 kHz and 24/7 online to the 'one and only' original Radio Mi Amigo International! kind regards,
Cpt. Kord and the whole team
http://radiomiamigointernational.com
Posted by: (Mike Terry, Sept 19, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA [and non]. IL DU chase 9/16/17 --- Considerable audio this morning from DU's near my LSR time of 1135 UT. ABC had rugby coverage all in // on 612 and 738 both of which were about at best ever levels. 594 was // and best ever level. Surprisingly, 702 never managed any decent audio and had a wild SAH between the 2BL and NZ carriers.

Many other carriers noted and a couple needed to be notched to allow better copy of weak adjacent domestics.

Try as I did, I simply am not sure whether I managed to // 630 with 612 at 1138 when domestic stuff on 630 took a dive. One problem was that 630 was noted with an accented gal earlier and that rugby from ABC had a man and a woman talking.

Carriers noted on 1224 and 1233 seemingly almost good enough for audio. One problem was that there's a band of T-storms about a day away and I was hearing plenty of QRN.

1098 V7AB again in a bit prior to 1130 with mx, but not as good as it has been. More northerly path likely affected by AU.

73 KAZ Barrington IL Perseus and Double Flag antenna due west.
(Neil Kazaross, NRC-Am mailing list, via DXLD)

IL DU chase 9/17/17 --- Things not as good this morning. Little more

than threshold audio on 612 and 738 near sunrise. Whereas yesterday, I could understand specific words, that was not really the case today. Once again, no audio on 702 and a fast wild SAH between Sydney and Auckland.

Weak music on 1098 at 1128, sounds like it could be their anthem.

Strong het/carrier on 621, likely needed 3RN but as always way too much WTMJ slop. My locals and semi locals go to day rig at 1130 in Sept which raises the QRM level rather seriously. 73 KAZ Barrington IL (Neil Kazaross, Sept 17, ibid.)

** AUSTRALIA. 5045, 0552, Ozy Radio, Razorback NSW with initial test broadcast 28/8, classic hits and pop oldies, very good overnight. Test announcements with email address for reports noted at 1920z and quick email response from John Wright indicating I was stationís second overseas reporter (Bryan Clark, Mangawhai, Northland, North Island, New Zealand, WinRadio G33DDC and AOR7030+ receivers, EWEs to Nth, Cent & Sth America, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

5045, Ozy Radio, 1157, Sept 15. Today Craig's carrier covered with OTH radar QRM.

[non-log]. 5045, Ozy Radio, on Sept 17-18-19, clearly off the air during my normal monitoring times. Testing period over or is Craig making adjustments to the transmitter? (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. 9690, Sept 16 at 1240, good signal playing ``Waltz of the Flowers``, great orchestral music by Chaikofsky --- what`s this? Nothing scheduled. 1244 English sign-off for Reach Beyond, Australia, Burmese service to resume tomorrow at 1115 on ``9685``! Indeed supposed to be on 9685 per HFCC; maybe back there tomorrow, mistake today on 9690?

9690, Sept 17 at 1230, poor signal and nothing on 9685; 1243 non-Nutcracker music now up to fair S8-S5, and 1244 same RBA English sign/off as yesterday for Burmese service ``until tomorrow at 1115 on 9685``, 1245*. So maybe it`s a deliberate change (a little further from the Chinese radio war on 9680), but the news has not reached the programming department.

9690, Sept 18 at 1230, RBA Burmese service is still here instead of listed and announced 9685 where there is nothing; gospel music, poor (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AUSTRALIA. ABC SHORTWAVE BROADCASTING TO THE PACIFIC TO BE REVIEWED

On Radio Australia's Pacific Beat webpage:

"The decision to end Australian shortwave broadcasting to the Pacific earlier this year could be revisited. There's to be a review of Asia Pacific broadcasting services, as part of a wide ranging package of reforms to the country's media laws agreed to by independent Senator Nick Xenophon.

The Department of Communications and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade are to conduct a review, including examining whether shortwave radio technology should be used. The review will include public consultation and the report will be made public.

Senator Nick Xenophon has been strenuously opposed to the decision by the ABC to end shortwave services, and he was a key crossbench figure in negotiations over the media reforms." (Posted by the ABC 9 hours ago).

A new lease of life for Radio Australia? Let's hope so! (Rob, Glasgow, Scotland, Wilson, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BERMUDA. Bye bye 106.1 Bermuda --- I just got an email from one of my Bermuda contacts with this link [see it below]: http://bernews.com/2017/09/vsb-cease-broadcasting-sunday/

I wrote to ask if this affects AM 1160/1280 as well; waiting on reply. Their live stream is now unavailable. cd (Chris Dunne, Pembroke Pines FL, Sept 16, WTFDA Forum via dXLD)

Sure sounds as if it's their entire radio operation (Raymie Humbert, AZ, ibid.)

I would think so as well. Actually they did not specify Mix 106 --- that was me; and the only comments were about 106.1 except for one by a Jonathan; and now by me, on that page. cd (Dunne, ibid.)

And there was TV channel 11 in Bermuda, an NBC station, which ceased broadcasting at the end of August 2014: http://bernews.com/2014/08/vsb-to-cease-channel-11-tv-broadcasting/ (Kegan, NW Arkansas, ibid.)

The VSB people in late 1990s were really into live streaming --- including channel 11 during NBC primetime! That didn't last long. 1450 AM Gold, which left the air about a year ago, was my favorite station there. Some audio should be available here on the Forums. cd (Dunne, ibid.)

OK, an update. Was told by one of my contacts there in Bermuda that indeed 106.1 is gone. AM 1160 BBC WS is dead air, while 1280 BBN is still on. Maybe BBN HQ in NC has taken the reins; no idea. This was Sunday evening Sep 17. cd (Dunne, Sept 17, ibid.) Viz.:

VSB TO CEASE RADIO BROADCASTING ON SUNDAY
September 15, 2017 | 17 Comments

The DeFontes Broadcasting Company has announced that they will cease their radio broadcasting at 5.00 pm on Sunday, September 17th.

The company announced the impending closure over the air today, saying, ìSadly, despite the support of listeners and advertisers, and the offering of the islandís best radio news programming, it has not been possible to achieve a viable commercial business with the ability to expand.î

ìThe excess number of radio stations in Bermuda also made it difficult to attract the necessary advertising, consequently, VSB Radio will cease broadcasting at 5 pm on Sunday, September 17.î

The station added that the ìcommunity should take this news as another wake up call about the increasing difficulty that print and broadcast media are having in remaining afloat in the face of the turn of advertising on social media.î

Citing financial losses, the company ceased broadcasting their television channel in August 2014, however kept their radio stations on air for the past three years.

Related Stories
- DeFontes Broadcasting: ìThank You & Goodbyeî
- Defontes To Cease Operations, 19 Staff Affected
- VSB To Cease Channel 11 TV Broadcasting
- Hurricane: VSB Broadcasts Using Car Battery
- VSB: Kenneth DeFontes Remains The Principal
- DeFontes: Business Alliance Plans ìSuspendedî

Ok says: September 15, 2017
Get used to this BermudaÖ.more business closing soonÖ

Stevie says: September 16, 2017
Such a shame to see Mix 106 go. Thank god I can get radio on line. The other stations here poor.

Real Onion says: September 16, 2017
VSB lost their way, just like the rest of Bermuda.

Beth says: September 16, 2017
Oh this is such a shame! The only station with a good variety of mudic; especially Saturday nights. So sorry to see 106 shut down.

Jean Males says: September 16, 2017
This is such a shame. Thank you to Chris, Bryan, Peter and Ted and their supporters who kept supplying us with excellent coverage of local and overseas news and great music.

The Kid says: September 16, 2017
What a fight you guys put upÖ thank you to all of you Chris, Bryan, Peter and Ted. You guys had the best format goingÖand we will never ever forget youÖ

Mrs Brady says: September 16, 2017
Thank you VSB for all the great music and news. Sorry to see you go.

Jonathan Land Evans says: September 16, 2017
Will another broadcaster be rebroadcasting the BBC World Service?

Stevie says: September 17, 2017
Go online. Search for audials on google. You will find radio stations from all over the world. Tap on UK stations. Scroll down to you find BBC World Service.

Jonathan Land Evans says: September 19, 2017
Thanks, but I spend too much time on the computer as it is!

Athena says: September 16, 2017
Such a shame that good news reporting, a talk show with the incomparable Mrs. Shirley Dill, and music you can actually identify as music rather than noise will be gone. Thank you to Chris, Bryan, Peter and Ted. It will be the communityís loss.

BermudaRat says: September 16, 2017
Thank you, Bryan Darby, for the really tremendous effort all these years. Also thanks to Kenny, Ted, Chris and Shirley for everything you have given to the community. You were always reliable with good journalists especially during storms, on weekends and with breaking news. You are going to be missed so much.

Christopher Dunne (in USA) says: September 16, 2017
I live in USA and was wondering, similar to Jonathan above ó will this affect AM 1160 & 1280 as well? Please let us know on this Comments page tomorrow evening. Thanks in advance.

frank says: September 16, 2017
Radio stations in bermuda have no one that knows how to run live

radio. There are maybe 2 broadcasters on air the rest are DJs that can not read and speak clearly. And the music is either rap reggae or calypso. It must be a sin to play good rnb

Moonbeam says: September 17, 2017
I add my disappointment re the closing of VSB radio. I will miss my favourite station and itís excellent broadcasters and staff. Other stations would be wise to take up your format which was varied with something for all.

Radio says: September 17, 2017
Good night Edgardo ñ you ROCK Dude!

Stevie says: September 17, 2017
Bermuda radio will never be the same again. Two companies who have no idea what the listening public want. Plp run stations the worst.
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** BHUTAN. 6035, BBS. Sept 18, with a marathon listening session of this station that rarely extends their broadcasting day so much; 1201-1420+; PBS Yunnan (China) cut off at 1201*, leaving BBS in the clear; seemed to all be in vernacular; various amounts of adjacent QRM, along with pulsating noise; 1216-1230 non-stop music (indigenous singing/chanting); interview 1330-1345; usual brief spots with indigenous instrumental music at 1201, 1211, 1212, 1215, 1300, 1311, 1314 and 1317; many nice segments of indigenous singing/music. Headed for a 24 hour broadcasting day? My musical audio clip at http://goo.gl/wDuW5E

My local sunrise today was at 1352 UT, while sunset at Thimphu, was at 1202 UT (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

BHUTAN/CHINA. 6035, BBS & PBS Yunnan on Sept 19.

BBS: 1128-1157* cut off; YL clearly in English (slight accent) playing pop songs in English; mixing with PBS, but not too bad, as PBS was mostly just announcer in Chinese. Yesterday's extended BBS broadcast was just an anomaly.

PBS Yunnan: 1128-1213* cut off; 1131 usual clear ID in English; "Yunnan Radio and Television International, the Voice Shangri-la," but otherwise in Chinese and mixing with BBS; 1201 switched to non-stop filler EZL instrumental music (always the same music!) till suddenly off (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 5952.435, Nice S=8-9 fluttery signal noted in European

deep night at 0225 UT on Sept 16 here in southern Germany.

Emisoras Pio XII from Siglo Veinte in Spanish, www-address given, and after 0228 UT the River Kwai March played, transmitter off at 0229:40 UT!! Aoki Nagoya database given 0100 UT as schedule final end time (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

0230v* reported for a long time, repeatedly by Ron Howard (gh, DXLD)

** BOUGAINVILLE/PNG [non-log]. 3325, NBC Bougainville and 3260, NBC Madang (PNG) were both off the air Sept 13, when checking 1018+; rare for both of them to be silent at the same time; this was also confirmed by Hiroyuki Komatsubara (Japan), earlier at 0940.

Probably due to the PNG Power Ltdís "Easipay" services, that crashed on Monday, leaving thousands without power. So maybe NBC stations were using that system to pre-pay for their power? News stories:

http://goo.gl/Y2ZKeo and http://goo.gl/d6m1gx
(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 760 kHz: Amigos, Um fato um tanto inusitado: logo depois das 20h00 (hor·rio de Brasilia) [2300 UT] captei ontem uma (re-) transmiss„o do programa da R·dio Internacional da China, di·logo dos locutores em portuguÍs e chinÍs pela frequÍncia de 760 kHz.

Evidentemente seria muita pretens„o afirmar que È uma transmiss„o da ¡sia em ondas mÈdias chegando ao Brasil. Creio ser uma retransmiss„o desta emissora por alguma estaÁ„o brasileira. O receptor foi um Icom IC-R8500 e a antena a Loop coaxial RGP (MW).

AgradeÁo se alguÈm deste grupo tem informaÁ„o sobre qual emissora do Brasil retransmite os programas em portuguÍs da RCI nesta frequÍncia para atualizaÁ„o dos meus registros de escutas.

Temos (ou tÌnhamos) uma situaÁ„o parecida da Radio Jap„o retransmitir mÈia hora de programa por ondas mÈdias da atual R·dio da Cidade 1370 kHz. Portanto, se a emissora chinesa deve estar fazendo o mesmo com alguma estaÁ„o brasileira sobre a qual gostaria de saber. AgradeÁo desde j·. 73, (Rudolf Grimm, Sept 15, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

WRTH lists 16 ZYs on 760 (gh, DXLD)

O vÌdeo da estaÁ„o sintonizada em 760 kHz transmitindo a R·dio China Internacional.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wJH9dc9Leec
… perceptÌvel a presenÁa da RCI no mix de estaÁıes que se embaralham

nesta frequÍncia. AgradeÁo se alguÈm tiver alguma informaÁ„o sobre a origem da estaÁ„o brasileira envolvida na quest„o. 73, (Rudolf Grimm, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Rudolf e demais amigos, tudo bem? Seguinte:

O Departamento de PortuguÍs da R·dio Internacional da China (doravante, CRIPOR) fornece material (·udio) para a R·dio Senado. Como vocÍs sabem, qualquer emissora brasileira pode baixar material da R·dio Senado no site deles e colocar no ar. Deve ser o que vocÍ ouviu.

A R·dio FranÁa Internacional tem uma situaÁ„o parecida, porque eles fornecem material para a AgÍncia R·dio Web, que È particular e, por sua vez, fornece para trocentas emissoras paÌs afora. Eu ouÁo matÈrias da RFI Brasil, por exemplo, na Ouro Verde FM, aqui de Curitiba, e na Difusora de PoÁos de Caldas, que ouÁo via Internet.

Bom, mas voltando ‡ CRIPOR, se È via R·dio Senado, como identificar a tal da r·dio que vocÍ ouviu? Se ajuda, fiz o seguinte: peguei a lista de emissoras de OM do DXCB, achei quem transmite em 760 kHz, selecionei as mais potentes/?suspeitas? e contrachequei com a lista de emissoras conveniadas da R·dio Senado
http://www12.senado.leg.br/radio/conveniadas
S„o conveniadas da R·dio Senado que transmitem em 760 kHz: Nereu Ramos de Blumenau, Auriverde de Bauru, Cacique de Guarapuava e Pousada do Rio Quente/GO. Pode ser que tenha mais alguma, mas chuto uma dessas aÌ, em ordem decrescente. AbraÁo! (Valter Aguiar, Sept 15, ibid.)

Obrigado, Valter, pela resposta. Liguei para a Auri-Verde, e n„o foram eles. Liguei para a Nereu Ramos de Blumenau, tambÈm n„o foram eles; quem sabe numa hora dessas conseguimos decifrar o enigma de AndrÙmeda. Depois eu informo se eu contactei mais alguma.

Temos um outro caso. 750 kHz: uma emissora que retransmite a Globo SP 1100 kHz. Mas com um delay [sic] consider·vel. Liguei para a Globo/CBN solicitando informaÁıes sobre qual emissora est· na rede nesta frequÍncia e falei com o supervisor tÈcnico. A informaÁ„o que me foi dada È que 750 kHz n„o est· na rede de afiliadas em nenhum hor·rio, n„o retransmite a Globo SP. E ontem eu captei de novo esta estaÁ„o. Coloquei o vÌdeo desta escuta no Youtube (canal GrimmSBC).

Chego a pensar que algumas estaÁıes de potÍncia menor n„o tem o que colocar no ar em certos hor·rios, e chupam o streaming de qualquer estaÁ„o nacional e internacional via Internet (nada que um cabo de ligaÁ„o fÌsica e uma configuraÁ„o simples basta para se fazer um ër·dio mais baratoí) e o colocam no ar. ConheÁo v·rios casos deste tipo ocorridos para com a Radio TransMundial, a R·dio Radio Deus È Amor; falando com as respectivas ·reas tÈcnicas. J· s„o casos

conhecidos.

Obrigado mais uma vez, Valter. Tudo de bom a vocÍ e aos demais amigos (Rudolf Grimm, S„o Bernardo SP, ibid.)

Opa. O papo esta bom. Fica a duvida. Que emissora È essa que est· retransmitindo a R·dio China? Fico no aguardo de resposta (Anderson JosÈ Torquato, ibid.)

O Jaquito para quem n„o sabe È o Pedro Jack Kapeller, herdeiro de Adolpho Bloch. Desde que o grupo Nasser devolveu o canal 760 kHz da Manchete AM, ele arrenda pra diversos grupos de diversas nacionalidades. Veio portugueses, angolanos, russos e agora chineses. E sÈrio.

O Jaquito est· arrendando essa radio para gringos. Arrendou pra voz da Russia, pra angolanos e agora chineses (Leonardo Ivo Neves da Silva, ibid. WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

Manchete refers to the station in Niteroi RJ, ZYJ478, 25/1 kW (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Aqui em S„o Paulo a R·dio Mundial 660 AM est· com a programaÁ„o bem diferenciada; parte da manh„ est· retransmitindo a R·dio China a CRI e tambÈm tem horas que transmite uma emissora de FM de Portugal, na verdade esta uma salada audÌvel. A programaÁ„o que era totalmente esotÈrica tanto na AM 660 como FM 95.7 agora esta somente na FM 95.7 e seu sistema iradiante do FM; parece estar localizado em JundiaÌ. Mas o est˙dio est· na Avenida Paulista no famoso prÈdio que obriga pelo menos umas 10 emissoras (Enviado por: "Nsn do Brasil", ibid.)

** BRAZIL. 5939.764, Voz Mission·ria at 0140 UT [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, on remote units in NY, NJ-US coast, but also in southern Germany Europe, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA [and non?]. SWRG#13 via 9400 kHz + QRM in Russian language / Goworit Sushi" (?)

Shortwave Radiogram? @SWRadiogram 1 Std.vor 1 Stunde
Shortwave Radiogram hat BlackApple62 retweetet

".....Russian audio sounded exactly the same via NZ receiver, so I suspect audio erroneously mixing at the transmitter site ..."

Shortwave Radiogram? @SWRadiogram 5 Std.Vor 5 Stunden
"....I'm not sure if the co-channel Russian (Bulgarian?) was another station, or an audio problem at the transmitter site in Bulgaria ..."

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I made a second (security) audio recording via a Kiwi SDR in Oman.
The disturbing program was there hardly noticeable. Maybe it came from
the same QTH - but then over a completely different antenna.

http://www.rhci-online.net/radiogram/SW_Radiogram_2017-09-16.htm#QRM

Here is a short IF recording (from my QTH) with "I/Q-phase-stereo" of
both signals and this ID.
https://www.dropbox.com/s/z2wmrafpnn0750k/HDSDR_20170916_9400kHz_IF-cut.wav?dl=1
(roger, Sept 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BURUNDI [non]. Radio Publique Africaine probably cancelled its
shortwave transmissions
1800-1858 15480 ISS 250 kW / 145 deg SoAf Kirundi/French from Sept 1
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/missing-transmissions-on-sept15-16.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16 via WORLD OF RADIO
1896, DXLD)

Also tonight no trace of a carrier on this frequency. And no
registration of a replacement to be seen at HFCC (Kai Ludwig, Sept 17
at 1813, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CAMBODIA [and non]. A woman reads Cambodian news on Radio Free
Asia's website on her smartphone. The US-funded broadcaster is set to
cease operations within the Kingdom. Hong Menea [caption]

RFA CONFIRMS OFFICE CLOSURE
Thu, 14 September 2017 Ananth Baliga and Mech Dara
http://www.phnompenhpost.com/national/rfa-confirms-office-closure

Radio Free Asia yesterday confirmed that all its staffers in Cambodia
would see their contracts expire at the end of the month and its
operations would only continue outside the country, despite a few
reporters saying that they would continue to work for the broadcaster
after the shutting down of its Phnom Penh bureau.

The radio broadcaster on Tuesday announced that it will cease its
operations in the Kingdom following attempts to resolve a tax
compliance issue and a licensing dispute with the Ministry of
Information. The US-funded RFA said it would continue to operate out
of Washington, DC.

The Kingdom is currently in the throes of a wide-ranging clampdown on
independent media, with the often critical Cambodia Daily newspaper
publishing its final edition on September 4 after a month-long dispute
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with the government over a purported $6.3 million tax bill.

The closure followed the shuttering of more than 30 radio frequencies across the country, disproportionately affecting RFA, Voice of America and Voice of Democracy broadcasts.

Rohit Mahajan, spokesman for RFA in the US, reiterated yesterday that the bureau would be closed and in-country reporting stopped, meaning that contracts for staffers would expire at the end of the month and would not be renewed after that.

"We are not renewing any contracts. RFA is going to continue covering Cambodia using networks of trusted sources inside the country that we have built over the 20 years we had a presence there," he said.

This meant the broadcaster would adopt a model followed in "other closed societies, like Laos", where news was reported despite having no local reporters, he added.

However, an RFA staffer, who requested anonymity, said despite the closure of the bureau, he intended to continue to report from home for the broadcaster.

"We have a commitment to continue to the work for what we consider as a benefit for listeners, and we continue to work professionally," he said. A similar sentiment was conveyed by another RFA reporter.

While the Ministry of Finance had suggested action against both RFA and VOA for tax and licensing issues, Information Ministry spokesman Ouk Kimseng said that RFA Bureau Chief Chi Vita had approached the ministry in 2016 to formalise the broadcaster's operations, but did not follow up.

"He did not implement [the procedures] and now they accuse the ministry," he said. "When they do not respect the law, there is no tolerance."

VOA said it would continue its coverage of the country, mostly through short- and medium-wave transmissions and their website. "We continue to work on the question of tax liabilities and registration in Cambodia," said VOA Public Relations Officer Michelle Harris (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** CANADA. 1610, CHHA, Toronto, Ontario. 0953 September 17, 2017. Slow Spanish vocal, female mentioning "Radio Voces Latinas" then male "…sta es CHHA, Radio Voces Latinas" at 0958 (Terry Krueger, All times/dates GMT, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, longwires, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. CAMBODIA [non] 6055 CRI (Nanning) *1400+ 11 Sept. With usually dominant RN1 [JOZ] very weak this morning, CRI's 14-15 Khmer program slid in with CRI IS, opening announcements. On 12 Sept. RN1 was back to almost normal strength with seguÈd Queen songs & CRI only heard during fades/breaks in the music past 1403. CRI's // 9880 (Nanning) somewhat stronger (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL380/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. 5910.355, Sept 15 at 0542, Alcarav·n Radio with tropical music fading S9-S7.

6010.073, Sept 19 at 0606, The Voice of Thy Conscience, Spanish Jesus talk, as usual off-frequency, but a lot closer to nominal than the other HJDH, Alcarav·n above 5910.3 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. Vuelven a emitirse distintas emisoras de onda media y corta desde Cuba --- 16/09/2017

Un total de 204 servicios daÒados por los efectos del hurac·n Irma han restablecido hasta el momento trabajadores de la Empresa de Radiocomunicaciones y DifusiÛn de Cuba (Radiocuba).

Resultado de imagen para radiocuba

TambiÈn est·n restituidas las prestaciones en las provincias de HolguÌn, Granma y Las Tunas y las transmisiones de Onda Corta, seg˙n informaron a Trabajadores especialistas del Grupo de ComunicaciÛn Institucional de la entidad.

Destaca la nota que la brigada de la divisiÛn de ConstrucciÛn y Montaje de Radiocuba se encuentra en Villa Clara, donde comenzar·n a trabajar este jueves desde horas tempranas de la maÒana, en tanto el colectivo de Granma, conformado por nueve torreros, ya cumple tareas en el Centro Tagarro, en Camag¸ey.

Asimismo se trasladan medios para Ciego de ¡vila, territorio que apoyar·n brigadas de Santiago de Cuba y Sancti SpÌritus.

La nota aÒade que tras el paso del fenÛmeno meteorolÛgico por el territorio cubano, Radiocuba reportÛ 330 afectaciones en los servicios de transmisiÛn de radio y televisiÛn en Guant·namo, Santiago de Cuba, Granma, HolguÌn, Las Tunas, Camag¸ey, Ciego de ¡vila, Sancti SpÌritus, Villa Clara, Matanzas, Mayabeque, Artemisa y La Habana. Las causas fundamentales fueron el desmonte de par·bolas en etapa preparatoria, transmisores apagados para su protecciÛn, humedad en los equipos y la falta de respaldo energÈtico.

Por ser de mayor envergadura contin˙an otras afectaciones por derribo de 18 torres, asÌ como de 23 servicios en total, seis de televisiÛn y 17 de radio, las cuales ser·n acometidas en cuanto lleguen a las zonas las cuatro brigadas de torreros de las divisiones de apoyo de la entidad que ya est·n en camino con partes, piezas y estructuras de torres para acometer las labores de recuperaciÛn.

El texto subraya que el propÛsito es a recuperar todo lo posible en el terreno y restituir los servicios en el menor tiempo posible y con calidad (fuente?? Via GRA blog via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

** CUBA. 820, Radio Ciudad Habana, Arroyo Arenas, Ciudad Habana. 0939 September 14, 2017. Program of Brazilian samba, male and female hosts. Mediocre signal, but a rarity here with 820 kc/s WWBA and diplexing 1040 kc/s WHBO, only 1.5 miles way, mysteriously off the air nights post-Hurricane Irma. See separate observation on that.

820, Radio Reloj, Ciego de ¡vila. 0625 September 17, 2017. Very poor and not acting like 10 kW, under WBAP and Radio Ciudad Habana in absence of WWBA's night signal.

1040, Radio Mayabeque, G¸ines, Mayabeque. 1011 September 16, 2017. Excellent with Cuban folk, female host, parallel 1140 and 1450. My local 1040 kc/s WHBO, only 1.5 miles way, mysteriously off the air nights post-Hurricane Irma. See separate observation on that (Terry Krueger, All times/dates GMT, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, longwires, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 11760, Sept 13 at 1300, RHC QSY announcement, 6100 closing and 15370 until 1500: but at 1301, 6100 is still running along with 6060 but not 6000; no 15370 yet but 15230 is on; finally at 1303, 15370 on with OC and 6100 off.

Further chex for RHC and allied station anomalies, which may or may not be attributable to Hurricane Irma, since something is always wrong at RHC:

Sept 14 at 0547, RHC English audible on 6230 leapfrog, 6145, 6060, 6000, but 6100 is off. At 0552, 5040 is off already, and 5025 Rebelde is just barely modulated.

Sept 14 at 1421 tune-in, 11760 open carrier/dead air, and then off*

UT Sept 15 at 0120: 5025 OC S9+20 with trace of mod; 5040 off; 6000 S9+20 with fading, low mod; 6060 Spanish OK at S9+20; 6145 S9+10 but JBM; After 0125, 7340 is S9+10 but undermod; 9535 OK; 9580 CRI relay VG; 11760 VG; 11840 VG with parasites VP on 11830 & 11850.

5025, Sept 15 at 0541, R. Rebelde is just barely modulated. 5040 RHC English is good; 6100 is off, but 6000, 6060 and 6145 are on with undermodulation, especially 6145.

5025, Sept 15 at 1236, S9+10 of open carrier, JBM (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5025.002, At 0920 UT on Sept 15 heard Radio Rebelde in Spanish via Bauta center on air, with S=9+10dB signal heard on NJ-US east coast SDR unit (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.) but how was the modulation?? (gh)

17580, Sept 15 at 1257, RHC is VG S9+20, virtually the OSOB, with report from Santa Clara about damage to airport there and giving toll-free 0-800 phone numbers to the US for Jet Blue and American Airlines. Don`t blame Cuba for disruptions in flights.

9490, Sept 15 at 1247, multiple pulse jamming against VOA Korean, helping out their Commie comrades (really, a bit late for Radio Rep˙blica on same frequency). Also pulse jamming against nothing on 9880 at 1244.

5010, Sept 16 at 0050, JBA carrier, probably leapfrog of Cuba 5040 over 5025 another 15 kHz lower; however, there is no match on the other side, 5055. 5040 is VG with RHC French; 5025 is S9+30 of dead air, maybe a trace of modulation. 5010 might also be grayline from India? 5025, Sept 16 at 0957 quick awake check: Radio Rebelde is still dead air (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4765, R Progreso from Bejucal was not on air, 0130 UT Sept 16

5025, R Rebelde low modulation, same carrier signal strength of S=9+10dB as like RHC Sp Bauta on 5040 kHz, but latter full modulated.

6000, RHC from Quivic·n San Felipe Tit·n site, En S=9+20dB
6060, RHC Bauta S=9+10dB Sp distorted audio at 0142, 20 kHz wideband signal
6145, RHC, CA/Vancouver-Alaska azimuth, sidelobe here in Europe, S=7-8, visible only 2.8 kHz small band modulated signal, this is an UPPER SIDE BAND reserve TX unit?
7340, RHC in 41 mb, Bejucal site fair S=8 signal strength, just lower power service, jazz music piece at 0146 UT on Sept 16.
9535, RHC Bejucal Spanish outlet, seems lower power level, S=5 at 0209
9580, CRI Chinese via Quivic·n San Felipe Tit·n site at 02-03 UT. S=9+25dB powerful 18 kHz wide signal [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, on remote units in NY, NJ-US coast, but also in southern Germany Europe, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 15730, Sept 16 at 1951, Cuban music at S9+40 on VOA frequency; must be a VOA African program? Lyrix even assert ``m`sica cubana``. 1956 outro in French about David Blanco, ``Hit-Parade`` pronounced in French. I`m almost thinking it is really RHC --- Yes! At 2000 RHC IS and into Portuguese; now I can hear VOA way underneath it, which has just started French at 2000 via Greenville. RHC is supposed to be on 15370 now! But lysdexic putton-busher upmixed the digits, or if saved, hit a real RHC frequency but which is not supposed to be on until later. Take that, VOA, for being silly enough to attempt a frequency time-share with the incompetent Cuban commies.

5025, Sept 17 at 0548, R. Rebelde is open carrier/dead air at S9+20; at 1240 still DA and weaker after sunrise, maybe a trace of modulation. This problem has been dogging Rebelde for weeks; evidently no one at RadioCuba knows or cares about it. Think of all the undernourished Cubans who could be fed by the electrical money wasted on dead air, and jamming (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6100, Sept 17 at 0550, this RHC English frequency is still off as it has been for a while lately, remaining on 5040, 6060, 6000, 6145, in order of decreasing modulation level. 6100 is still heard in Spanish before 1300 with Asian CCI (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11580, Sept 17 at 0200, as I am confirming WOR 1895 via WRMI, I hear co-channel QRM underneath from RHC in Spanish! I had previously remarked that a possible leapfrog mixing product onto 11580 had not yet been heard clashing with WRMI --- but now it has. It`s 11760 over 11670 another 90 kHz lower. While on 11580 they add up to S7-8, 11670 is S9+20, and when I get back to rate 11760 at 0204 it has cut off the air and along with it the `frog. Modulation level was wildly different, soft on 11760, loud on 11670. If both had been loud, 11580 should have been worse (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17730, Sept 17 at 1415, RHC S9+10 open carrier/dead air, while 17580 is off.

6100, Sept 18 at 0607, RHC English reactivated here after missing several nights, good S9+20, but now 6060 is missing. Still // 6000 undermodulated; 6145 S9+30 but undermod; and 5040 off as it normally is by 0600.

5025, Sept 18 at 0611, R. Rebelde with JBM music (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5025, R Rebelde at 1125. Solid S-9 signal but only a hum for audio. By

1129, more audio coming thru, but it was still way way out in the mud. Excellent signal, Sept 18 (Rick Barton, AZ, Times/Dates Zulu.

10860, Unidentified Numbers Station at 0510 - in progress. Typical of HM 01 type. Silent period from 0520 to 0528. Off 0550. Armchair, Sept 18 (Rick Barton, AZ, Times/Dates Zulu. Assume English unless otherwise stated. Logged with RS SW-2000629 or Grundig Satellit 750 and various outdoor wires. 73 and Good Listening.....! dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) Clash on 15140 with OMAN: q.v.

** CUBA [non]. Radio Rep˙blica? Haven't heard it for the past few nights. Off the air or propagation issues? Can hear the Cuban jammer, though (Richard Langley, NB, 0243 UT Sept 18, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST) 9490, 00/03 UT via France (gh0

No feed from Miami-FL to TDF Issoudun TX site? Maybe hurricane damage on broadcasting house in Florida? 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

Hi Jeff, What is the explanation for Radio Rep˙blica missing? (Glenn to Jeff White, via DXLD)

Glenn: RR's studio building in Miami has been closed due to damage from the hurricane, so they have not been able to produce programs. They may be back on the air tomorrow night (Jeff White, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Back on the air this evening. Noted with ID and signature music at 0200 UT using the U. Twente SDR receiver. Reception here in NB poor. (Richard Langley, UT Sept 20, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EAST TURKISTAN. CRI repair work at RTC Kashgar, western China 500 kW 308 degrees azimuth broadcast center on Sept 6 till 26.

CHINA, CRI RTC advice. For technical reasons, our CRI Beijing German service program can not be heard on frequencies 7395 and 11775 kHz from September 6 to 26, from 8 pm to 10 pm CEST / 18-20 UT, nor on 17720 kHz from 7 am to 9 am CEST / 05-07 UT, all via Kashgar western China 500 kW powerhouses.

Liebe Hoererinnen und Hoerer, hier ein Hinweis: Aus technischen Gruenden ist vom 6. bis 26. September unsere Sendung von 20 Uhr bis 22 Uhr MESZ/CEST auf der Frequenz 7395 und 11775 kHz, sowie von 07 Uhr bis 09 Uhr MESZ/CEST auf der Frequenz 17720 kHz nicht zu empfangen. Wir bitten um Ihr Verstaendnis. Deutsche Redaktion von CRI Beijing-CHINA (via Paul Gager-AUT, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 13, via Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldydg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD) Also applies to other languages? (gh)

Also not on air
0600-0857 on 17650 KAS 500 kW / 308 deg to WeEu Chinese
0900-0957 on 17650 KAS 500 kW / 308 deg to WeEu English
1000-1257 on 17650 KAS 500 kW / 308 deg to WeEu Chinese
1000-1057 on 17570 KAS 500 kW / 298 deg to CeEu Hungarian
1100-1157 on 17570 KAS 500 kW / 298 deg to CeEu Czech
(Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, ibid.)

Also not on air: Sept 12-15, noted 7325 without the normally strong CRI; 1050 to past 1230+. Of course Wantok Radio Light (PNG) continues to be silent on 7324.95 (Ron Howard, California, ibid.)

And also 7340 and 7345 kHz in Italian:

``Cari amici ascoltatori, per il motivo di manutenzione, saranno sospese tra il 6 e il 26 settembre prossimi le trasmissioni sulle frequenze 7340 kHz e 7345 kHz. Cordiali saluti, Sezione Italiana, Radio Cina Internazionale`` (via Roberto Scaglione, Sicilia, ibid.)

CRI Beijing in Italian is real ON AIR TONIGHT, Sept 15:
S=9+20dB in southern Germany
7340 1800 1900 28SW 500 294 216 Ita CHN CRI RTC on air

11940 1600 1700 27-29,37NW 500 294 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
11965 1600 1700 27-29 500 298 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
13760 1600 1700 27-29 500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC on air
13790 1600 1800 37SE,38,39,40W 500 269 216 Ara CHN CRI RTC off air
15680 1600 1800 27SE 500 308 216 Fra CHN CRI RTC off air
13870 1630 1730 46E 500 269 216 Hau CHN CRI RTC off air
9435 1700 1800 28SW 500 294 216 Hrv CHN CRI RTC off air
13760 1700 1800 27-29,37NW 500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
9450 1730 1830 46E 500 269 216 Hau CHN CRI RTC off air
13760 1800 1900 27-29,37NW 500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
7395 1800 2000 28NW 500 308 216 Deu CHN CRI RTC off air
11775 1800 2000 28NW 500 308 216 Deu CHN CRI RTC off air
73 wb

RTC Kashgar 500 kW site, time sorted, noted on Sept 16:

7350 0000 0100 27-29 500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
9710 0000 0100 13,15 500 269 216 Por CHN CRI RTC off air
9470 0100 0200 27-29 500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC on air
9675 0100 0200 27-29 500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
9590 0100 0300 14 500 269 216 Spa CHN CRI RTC on air
9710 0100 0300 14 500 294 216 Spa CHN CRI RTC off air
9815 0200 0300 13-15 500 269 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC off air
73 wb

RTC Kashgar 500 kW site, time sorted

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 7350 0000 0100 27-29              500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
 9710 0000 0100 13,15              500 269 216 Por CHN CRI RTC off air
 9470 0100 0200 27-29              500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC on air
 9675 0100 0200 27-29              500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
 9590 0100 0300 14                 500 269 216 Spa CHN CRI RTC on air
 9710 0100 0300 14                 500 294 216 Spa CHN CRI RTC off air
 9815 0200 0300 13-15              500 269 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC off air
15445 0400 0500 29,30              500 308 216 Rus CHN CRI RTC
15445 0500 0600 29,30              500 308 216 Rus CHN CRI RTC
17510 0500 0600 37SE,38,39,40W,47N 500 269 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
17485 0500 0700 37SE,38,39,40W     500 269 216 Ara CHN CRI RTC off air
17720 0500 0700 28NW               500 308 288 Deu CHN CRI RTC off air
      still on 17615 kHz via Urumqi.
17510 0600 0700 37SE,38,39,40W,47N 500 269 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
17520 0600 0700 28SW               500 294 216 Ita CHN CRI RTC on air
17650 0600 0700 27-29              500 308 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC on air
17680 0600 0700 37NW               500 294 216 Spa CHN CRI RTC on air
17865 0600 0700 27SE               500 308 216 Fra CHN CRI RTC on air
17650 0700 0800 27-29              500 308 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC off air
17680 0700 0800 37NW               500 294 216 Spa CHN CRI RTC on air
17865 0700 0800 27SE               500 308 216 Fra CHN CRI RTC on air
17490 0700 0900 27-29              500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
17670 0700 0900 37SE,38,39,40W,47N 500 269 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC on air
15335 0800 0900 29,30              500 308 216 Rus CHN CRI RTC off air
17650 0800 0900 27-29              500 308 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC off air
15335 0900 1000 29,30              500 308 216 Rus CHN CRI RTC off air
17490 0900 1000 27-29              500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
17650 0900 1000 27-29              500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
15220 1000 1100 28N                500 298 288 Hun CHN CRI RTC on air
17490 1000 1100 27-29              500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC on air
17570 1000 1100 28N                500 298 288 Hun CHN CRI RTC off air
17650 1000 1100 27-29              500 308 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC on air
15220 1100 1200 28NW               500 298 288 Ces CHN CRI RTC on air
17570 1100 1200 28NW               500 298 288 Ces CHN CRI RTC off air
17650 1100 1200 27-29              500 308 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC on air
17490 1100 1300 27-29              500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
17650 1200 1300 27-29              500 308 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC on air
17560 1200 1300 27SE               500 308 288 Fra CHN CRI RTC on air
13670 1300 1400 27-29              500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
13855 1300 1400 27-29              500 308 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC on air
17560 1300 1400 27SE               500 308 288 Fra CHN CRI RTC off air
17650 1300 1400 27SE               500 308 216 Fra CHN CRI RTC off air
11785 1400 1500 27-29              500 308 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC on air
13710 1400 1500 27-29              500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
15410 1400 1500 27-29              500 308 288 Chn CHN CRI RTC off air
 9600 1500 1530 40W                500 269 216 Fas CHN CRI RTC off air
11610 1500 1600 37SE,38,39,40W,47N 500 269 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
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13640 1500 1600 27-29              500 298 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC on air
13680 1500 1600 27-29              500 308 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC on air
13755 1500 1600 27-29              500 308 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC off air
15245 1500 1600 27-29              500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC on air
11940 1600 1700 27-29,37NW         500 294 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
11965 1600 1700 27-29              500 298 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
13760 1600 1700 27-29              500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC on air
13790 1600 1800 37SE,38,39,40W     500 269 216 Ara CHN CRI RTC off air
15680 1600 1800 27SE               500 308 216 Fra CHN CRI RTC off air
13870 1630 1730 46E                500 269 216 Hau CHN CRI RTC off air
 9435 1700 1800 28SW               500 294 216 Hrv CHN CRI RTC off air
13760 1700 1800 27-29,37NW         500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
 9450 1730 1830 46E                500 269 216 Hau CHN CRI RTC off air
 7340 1800 1900 28SW               500 294 216 Ita CHN CRI RTC on air
13760 1800 1900 27-29,37NW         500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
 7395 1800 2000 28NW               500 308 216 Deu CHN CRI RTC off air
11775 1800 2000 28NW               500 308 216 Deu CHN CRI RTC off air
 7295 1900 2000 37SE,38,39,40W,47N 500 269 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
 7385 1900 2000 28SE               500 294 216 Sqi CHN CRI RTC off air
 9730 1900 2000 37NW               500 298 288 Por CHN CRI RTC on air
11895 1900 2000 27                 500 308 288 Yue CHN CRI RTC off air
 9585 2000 2030 28SE               500 298 288 Srp CHN CRI RTC off air
 7255 2000 2100 37SE,38,39,40W,47N 500 269 216 Chn CHN CRI RTC off air
      VoNigeria 7254.921 kHz instead at 2000 UT.
 7295 2000 2100 37SE,38,39,40W,47N 500 269 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
 7415 2000 2100 27-29              500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
 9600 2000 2100 27-29              500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
 9585 2030 2100 28N                500 298 288 Hun CHN CRI RTC on air
 7345 2030 2130 28SW               500 294 216 Ita CHN CRI RTC off air
11660 2030 2230 27SE               500 308 216 Fra CHN CRI RTC off air
 7415 2100 2200 27-29              500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
 9600 2100 2200 27-29              500 308 288 Eng CHN CRI RTC off air
 9640 2100 2300 37NW               500 298 288 Spa CHN CRI RTC off air
 7300 2200 2300 13-15              500 294 216 Epo CHN CRI RTC
 9410 2200 2300 13,15              500 294 216 Por CHN CRI RTC
 9685 2200 2300 13,15              500 269 216 Por CHN CRI RTC
 9880 2200 2300 13-15              500 269 216 Epo CHN CRI RTC
 9590 2300 0100 14                 500 294 216 Spa CHN CRI RTC
 9800 2300 0100 14                 500 269 216 Spa CHN CRI RTC
 7350 2300 2400 27-29              500 308 216 Eng CHN CRI RTC
may vary from day to day wb
(Wolfgang B¸schel, BCDX 16 Sept via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

** ECUADOR [non]. Akhbar Mufriha via BaBcoCk Woofferton & Ascension,
Sept 15
2100-2115 on  7300 WOF 250 kW / 170 deg to NoAf Tachelhit
2115-2145 on  7300 WOF 250 kW / 170 deg to NoAf Arabic+dialects
2145-2215 on  9530 ASC 250 kw / 027 deg to WeAf Hassinya Thu-Tue
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http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/radio-akhbar-mufriha-via-babcock.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA. 5940, 1823, Ethiopian Somali Regional State Radio, Jijiga tentatively this new station opening abruptly 25/8 with Horn of Africa rhythms 24/8 past 1925. Also heard opening abruptly 0424 24/8 but gone at 0459 recheck. Irregular at present (Bryan Clark, Mangawhai, Northland, North Island, New Zealand, WinRadio G33DDC and AOR7030+ receivers, EWEs to Nth, Cent & Sth America, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA. 6090, Amhara State Radio ñ Addis Abba (presumed), 0317-0342 Sep 13, instrumental music rising above the noise floor with Anguillaís Caribbean Beacon not on channel tonight. A man and woman followed with talk in the listed Amharic language. A mix of talks and music seemed to be the program. Poor to fair on peaks but eventually losing battle with the noise floor (Rich D'Angelo, 2216 Burkey Drive, Wyomissing, PA 19610, U.S.A. Equipment: Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R-8B, Eton E1, Eton E5, Alpha Delta DX Sloper, RF Systems Mini-Windom, Datong FL3, JPS ANC-4, NASWA Flashsheet via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

** FIJI. BROADCAST TRAIL
BCM = Bryan Clark, Mangawhai with WinRadio G33DDC SDR & EWEs to NE, East & SE.
IW-S = Ian Wells using the Leagueís Northland SDR
IW-M = Ian Wells at home in Mosgiel, using a Sangean ATS-909 & 12 metre EWE to NE.

558, 0752, Radio Fiji One very strong in local languages, with numerous IDs and announcements in English after 0800, 27/7. IW-S
558, 0348, FBC poor-fair in Fijian 26/8. Ident as ìRadio Fiji Oneî BCM
558, 0835, Radio Fiji One really struggling against dominant co-channel Radio Sport Invercargill 26/8. IW-M

990, 0723, Gold FM strong in English with sports news and weather. IDs as ìGold FM Classic Hitsî 15/08/17 IW-S
990, 0830, Gold FM surprisingly strong in English with music and advts, 26/08/17, first DX on the EWE temporarily erected at home IW-M
990, 0525, Gold FM new 10 kW transmitter at good level with pops, promos, PSAs and advts in English thru Apna AM 25/8. BCM
(Sept NZ DX Times via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

** FRANCE. Unscheduled frequency of Radio France International Sept 14 1200-1230 on 17850 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg to CeAf French, all other RFI frequencies are on air: 15300 ISS, 17620 ISS, 17660 MDC and 21580 ISS
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/unscheduled-frequency-of-radio-france.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 14 via DXLD)

15130 kHz S=9+25dB signal of NHK Radio Japan Tokyo, via TDF Issoudun relay site, 19-21 UT Japanese language program at 20.27 UT on Thu Sept 14; and again included Tractor noise like sound underneath !!!!
73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: "Sound Kitchen" Missing on RFI "Paris Live" This AM

Back today! (as we all assumed it would be) But reception using the U. Twente SDR receiver was not great -- not that it is expected to be given the short distance and bearing from Issoudun to Twente, but some weeks it is fairly good (Richard Langley, Sept 16, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That`s UT Saturdays circa 0615 on 11905. Also on 13725?? (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

English from Radio France international 0600-0700 11905 & 13725 to CeAf (Via SW schedule A17, Editor John Durham, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD) Which ``SW schedule A17``? Are they really on two frequencies at once? (gh, DXLD)

** FRANCE [and non] TRACTOR and GUL [?? gh] ----------
FRANCE et al.: Several years ago he wrote at TDF France (where the transmitters are located), on the radio of Taiwan, Algeria, etc., that during their broadcasts the sound resembling a working tractor is buzzing continuously. According to observations, in recent years, it can be said that this is due to the poor performance of their two transmitters, and a weak effect exists on the third transmitter. As you might expect, TDF is silent and does not respond, but they also stopped sending me confirmation.

I wrote to Japan and Algeria on the radio, but they do not seem to care about it, but MRTivanja [Radio Taiwan International] decided to figure out where the money goes for the emissions of their programs. Connected and well-known DX connoisseurs, like Wolfgang B¸schel from Germany, etc. Another "defeat" on MRI [sic] is caused by another radio source, which at the frequency of 11955 kHz 1700-1800 UT sounds like hum or howling or the sound of a vacuum cleaner. Here he is so strong that MRI speech is not understood. Unfortunately this rumble is on different days, for example, today it is on the 14th of September, and yesterday it was absent. The MRI decided that this is a local sound in Sofia, but it is also 100 km north of Sofia, but Mr. Pape from Siberia also noticed it. The nearest DC-systems in Greece and Mr. Cristian Mocanu (Romania) can also check this. Please do not forget - the tractor is every day, and the buzz in different unpredictable days of the month (something like this can be observed with the station from Kyrgyzstan "Voice of Life" at 5130 kHz). (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, September 14, 2017, via RusDX Sept 17 via DXLD)

17-18 UT on 11955 is Radio Taiwan International in Russian via France, as per EiBi, NOT Radio France International in Russian, as in NDXC/Aoki list! I guess the ``MRI`` in rest of item may refer to MRT; optical scan and/or Cyrillic conversion error? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GALAPAGOS. Isla Gal·pagos, miembros del "GrupoDX 7163" estar·n activos desde la Isla Isabela con el Indicativo HD8M, desde el14 al 21 de septiembre, en bandas de 160 a 6 metros QRV en modos SSB, CW and Digital.
http://www.hd8m.com
Atte, (HÈctor FrÌas JofrÈ, CE3FZL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** GERMANY. [Re DXLD 17-16 & 17-20:] NPR BERLIN

http://mabb.de/uber-die-mabb/presse/pressemitteilungen-details/kcrw-berlin-sendet-ab-herbst-2017-auf-berliner-ukw-frequenz-1041-mhz.html

And see here, below the reproduction of the official announcement:
http://www.radioszene.de/112880/kcrw-berlin-ukw.html

Obviously from an English original, the results of such 1:1 translations are unmistakable.

I can't find that English original, neither at kcrw.com nor through a general web search. But so much is clear that it is indeed the original KCRW at Los Angeles that will operate the 104.1 MHz service in Berlin as of 1 Oct, apparently corresponding to that "regional hubs" thing NPR had announced in summer (Kai Ludwig, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Still have not seen more about this, but some remarks show how it came to this:

"... transform the institution from Southern California's flagship public radio station to a worldwide digital content distributor ... Ms. Ferro serves on the boards of NPR Berlin ..."
http://www.kcrw.com/people/jennifer-ferro

I guess she had simply to realize that there will be no German partner. An application has been filed for "Charlie", a station name that from 1995 to 1997 belonged to a badly failed Berlin affiliate of VOA, but who knows if they intended to use more NPR content than the news at all. And all other applicants had apparently no interest whatsoever. Hardly a surprise, I can not imagine how such a concept could be commercially viable, even with all those people in Berlin who "not yet" (which means: will never) speak German.

This certainly sounds like expansion as well:
http://blogs.kcrw.com/pressroom/2017/06/kcrw-exceeds-capital-campaign-goal-raising-50-4m-in-its-largest-campaign-ever/
(Kai Ludwig, Sept 17, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST) but does not mention Berlin

** GERMANY. DWD Deutscher Wetterdienst on 2 frequencies, Sept 15
2000-2030 on 5905 PIN 010 kW / non-dir to CeEu German in CUSB
2000-2030 on 6180 PIN 010 kW / non-dir to CeEu German AM mode
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/dwd-deutscher-wetterdienst-on-2.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via DXLD)

** GERMANY. DWD Deutscher Wetterdienst again on 2 frequencies, Sept 16
0600-0630 on 5905 PIN 010 kW / non-dir to CeEu German in CUSB
0600-0630 on 6180 PIN 010 kW / non-dir to CeEu German AM mode
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/dwd-deutscher-wetterdienst-again-on-2.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16 via DXLD)

** GERMANY [non]. Radio DARC broadcasts 17-22 September

A reminder about these special broadcasts in English and German from Radio DARC - starting this evening:

Radio DARC International Shortwave Broadcasts

During the 24th IARU Region 1 Conference in Landshut, Germany, there will be a series of six consecutive special shortwave transmissions to keep the IARU Region 1 amateur radio audience up to date with news and background reports

The programmes will be in the English language.

The RADIO DARC programmes will be compiled by Eva-Maria, DG9MFG, Christian, DL8MDW, Peter, HB9MQM and Rainer, DF2NU, the Editor-in-chief.

Several transmitters and shortwave bands are used to allow reception in different target regions of IARU Region 1. The broadcasting partner is the Austrian Broadcasting Transmitters Corporation (ORS) in Moosbrunn near Vienna. The schedule is as follows:

Sunday, 17 September to Friday, 22 September 2017, UT
1730-1800 13775 kHz, 300 kW for Africa
1730-1800 9790 kHz, 100 kW for Eastern Europe / Russia / Middle East
1800-1830 6070 kHz, 100 kW for Central, Northern and Southern Europe
1800-1830 9540 kHz, 100 kW for Western Europe

RADIO DARC is the weekly magazine of the German Amateur Radio Club for radio amateurs and shortwave listeners, with three broadcasts on 6 070 kHz for Europe. The programs contain DX news, technical features and reports from the DARC, as well as commentary, propagation forecasts and some great music from the 70s and 80s. Reception reports can be sent to radio@darc.de (via BDXC-UK yg Sept 17 via DXLD)

We already publicized this ahead of time. Can DARC stand for what we Englisch-Sprecher und Sprecherinnen think? Yes: website says ``Willkommen beim Deutschen Amateur-Radio-Club e.V.`` Instead of Deutscher Amateurfunkverein. I listened before and after 1800 Sept 17 and not surprisingly heard nothing on any of them here in Region 2 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENIING DIGEST)

FYI
1800-1830z ñ 6070 kHz with 100 kW for Ce, No and SoEUR
1800-1830z ñ 9540 kHz with 100 kW for Western Europe

via ORS Moosbrunn broadcast center in Austria near Vienna, heard on remote SDR Perseus units europeanwide net on Sept 17 at 1800-1830z :

	6070 kHz	9540 kHz:
Doha Qatar	S=9+10dB	S=8-9 noisy
Liverpool GB	S=9+55dB	S=9+35dB
Belgium	S=9+40dB	S=9+15dB
Athens Greece	S=9+40dB	S=9+25dB
Finland	S=9+45dB	S=9+15dB
CentralSweden	S=9+20dB	S=8-9
Munich Bavaria	S=9+30dB	S=7
Styria East Austria	S=9+15dB	S=6-7
Genua Italy/Monaco	S=9+60dB!	S=9+10dB
Rome Italy	S=9+40dB	S=5-6 poor signal
Amberg DARC Bavaria	S=9+30dB	S=8

vy73 (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx P11, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

acc to Radio DARC recent e-mail tonight by Rainer Englert DF2NU, as a very special event ORS Moosbrunn broadcasts with 300 kW power on all frequencies. 73 wb df5sx (B¸schel, Sept 17, ibid.)

And this was ORS worth even the trouble to downgrade
AWR Arabic 1800-1900 on 11955 to 100 kW and compensate for that?
This would have been necessary, Moosbrunn only has two transmitters for 300 kW (Kai Ludwig, ibid.)

Hi! Heard on Mondays in English from 2000 UT on 6070 German Amateur Radio Club with IARU topics. SINPO 55545 in Birmingham UK on my Tecsun PL-660 + telescopic whip. 73 (Jon Collins, Sept 18, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio DARC broadcasts 17-22 September, FYI, Tuesday, 19 September 2017
1730-1800 UT 13775 kHz with 300 kW for Africa
1730-1800 UT 9790 kHz with 100 kW for Eastern Europe / Russia / ME

via ORS Moosbrunn broadcast center in Austria near Vienna, heard on
remote SDR Perseus units europeanwide net on Sept 19 at 1730-1800z :

QRM of co-channel VoIRIB Arabic on 9790 kHz via Sirjan at 1729-1731z.
TX ORS Moosbrunn 9790 kHz on air 17.29:30z
Radio DARC program start at 17.30:04z
ID by Eva Maria Englert female presenter.
End of transmission at 17.56:35z final identification.

	13775 kHz	9790 kHz
Doha Qatar	S=9+35dB	S=9+35dB
Athens Greece	S=9+40dB	S=9+35dB
Liverpool GB	S=9+10dB	S=9+40dB
Belgium	S=6	S=9+20dB
Finland	nil	S=9+25dB
New Delhi	nil	S=9+20dB
Styria East Austria	S=9+25dB	S=8
Genua Italy/Monaco	S=9+10dB	S=6-7
Grenoble France	S=9+20dB	S=8-9
Aberdeen NJ-USA	S=5-6	S=8 -82dBm K2DLS remote
Rochester NY-USA	S=5-6	S=6 -94dBm K2ZN remote

vy73 wolfgang df5sx P11 (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

** GREECE. Perseus worldwide server net, new additional SV1BTL
available Sept 16, midst from Athens capital location, excellent audio
signal, far better than SV8RV

Perseus Net, log from Athens Greece, 1030 - 1125 UT, Sept 16
a lot of Greek private pirate music stations heard on local NOON time.

662.729 UNID spur signal, at 1030 UT, on threshold level
677.491 Libya at 1033 UT, S=8-9 in Athens.
692.991 Greek pirate?, Frank Sinatra US songs program, S=9+30dB
729.003 GRC ERT Athens at 1037 UT, S=9+50dB,
probably "Helliniki Dimostio Radiophonia Proton Programma".
792.000 Greek folk mx, S=9+40dB
828.000 local empty carrier stn, 1040 UT. S=9+35dB
864.000 EGY poor signal, Holy Quran ERTU station.
899.994 Greek folk mx pirate, S=9+5
918.000 Greek, jazz, saxophone mx, 1042 UT, S=9+45dB
? former 909 kHz, Studio 1 Aggelos, Votanikos ?
945.002 Greek program, 1043 UT, S=9+45dB.
980.991 GRC En lang song "Great Pretender", 1046 UT, S=9+35dB

1017.026 Greek, but US pop mx progr, 1047 UT, S=9+30dB
? former 1026 kHz Radio Galaxias, Glyfada, rock oldies ?
1044.004 Pop mx program, 1049 UT, S=9+40dB.
{ ex 10.35 ? Diva, Moshato ? }
1071.004 Radio '322', Balkan fiddle violine folk mx, 1050 UT, S=9+35dB
1097.996 like Turkish type of mx, 1051 UT, S=9+30dB
{ Amax 385 ? }
1107.005 Greek folk mx, 1052 UT, S=9+40dB
1143.002 Greek folk mx, 1053 UT, S=9+30dB
1188.005 Greek folk mx, 1054 UT, S=9+25dB
{ from Elata, Nikolas apo Elata, Parnitha }
1269.006 Greek folk mx, 1055 UT, S=9+35dB
{ probably R. Ahaios, Patras ? }
1296.007 Greek folk mx, 1056 UT, S=9+45dB
{ probably R. Koursaros, Athens Rafina ? }
1323.009 tiny weak stn, Greek ? "7 Islands Radio, from Kefalonia" ?
1359.000 empty carrier 1058 UT, S=9+15dB
1386.000 Greek folk mx, 1109 UT, S=9+40dB
1440.026 ARS likely Saudi Arab singer, daytime propagation?, 1111 UT,
S=8-9
1485.013 GRC folk mx, 1112 UT, fade-in -fade-out fluttery, S=9+10dB
1566.000 Greek folk mx, 1114 UT, S=9+10dB
{ probably R Asteras Kilkis ? }
1620.020 Greek pirate stn, S=7, 20 Hz hopping up and down.
1670.013 Greek pirate stn, S=7.
73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, harmonics yg via DXLD)

** GREECE. Voice of Greece on a single 9935 kHz, Sept 16-17:
1900&0600 on 9935*AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek tx#1
NO SIGNAL on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek tx#3
* till 0700 relay Sunday Orthodox Liturgy & off at 0707UTC
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-voice-of-greece-on-single.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16-17 via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

** HAITI. [re 17-37:] Port-au-Prince mountaintop transmitter site

Members, Thank you warmly to Glenn for sharing this new information about the situation in the HaÔtian capital. I have 20 Inactive or Closed stations recorded for that city. I have marked each with the description Port-au-Prince - Boutilliers. There are at least 2 possible monopoles around
18 30 25.62N 72 19 03.49W or
18.507095, -72.317635.
I suspect that over the years some of the FM towers which appear in large numbers on this hill were previously carrying those AM stations through radiating monopoles. 73 and 88 (Dan Goldfarb, mwmasts yg via

DXLD)

** HAWAII [non]. Central Pacific listening post - Hawaii - TPs Sept 15

I did not get up this morning but took a look at the Oahu, Hawaii WebSDR to see how things were shaping up. At 1530 UT the upper band was chock-a-block with fair to good signals on all of the 9 kHz channels from 1098 up to the top of the band - most notably 2nd tier Japanese stations and the higher power regional broadcasters.

The WebSDR at
http://72.235.91.131:8073
is very useful for getting a sense of what you might be hearing by giving you "the closer view". 1098 kHz, for instance, right now is a giant carrier with lots of Asian sounding chatter underneath it (Colin Newell - Editor and creator *of *Coffeecrew.com, IRCA via DXLD)

** INDIA. The power of radio
A.G. Noorani September 09, 2017
The writer is an author and a lawyer based in Mumbai.
https://www.dawn.com/news/1356477

MARK Tully recently wrote, "Whenever I talk to students of journalism in India about radio I am told `It's dead. Killed by television'. As the presenter of a radio programme broadcast in Britain I know that's certainly not true there." In India, however, "while the government has lost control over television it retains a monopoly over radio news".

As Dan Rather put it, television news has been `dumbed down'. It seeks eyeballs to the screen in order to build ratings and sell advertising. What alternative has the citizen but to switch over to a foreign radio or TV channel since the news on All India Radio (AIR) is even more slanted than the chauvinistic fare doled out by TV channels evening after evening?

Television has come to stay. But that is no reason for neglecting radio as a poor cousin. One of India's finest judges told the writer that he prefers to listen to the news on radio rather than watch it on TV. It sticks more firmly in the mind.

Curbs on FM channels are a violation of rights.

As far as news and commentaries on the news are concerned, radio triumphs over TV. The BBC's news reaches villages early in the morning, long before the newspapers arrive. In the evenings, they listen to Urdu or Hindu news broadcasts, which they find to be more credible than local print or TV press. They may be wrong in this view.

The point is that they have a right to choose. There is no privately owned shortwave radio station in India. Across 84 cities, 281 private FM channels are operational. The government has decided to e-auction 839 more channels in 294 cities. It has granted permission for 519 community radio stations, out of which 201 are operational. But they are banned from broadcasting news, gathered independently by their own correspondents or other sources, as well as current affairs programmes.

On Nov 28, 2008, the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India recommended that private FM broadcasters "may only be permitted to broadcast news, taking content from AIR, Doordarshan, authorised TV news channels, United News of India, Press Trust of India and any other authorised news agency without any substantive change in the content". On July 25, 2011, FM was allowed broadcast of FM radio news bulletins of AIR, without any addition or modification.

An NGO, Common Cause, filed a petition in the Supreme Court of India in 2013 to declare the curbs violate the fundamental right to freedom of speech and expression. The curbs are embodied in the policy guidelines and grant of permission agreement drawn up by the government. The petition pointed out that no other democratic country had similar restrictions. "None of the USA's 14,000-plus radio stations, the 2,000-odd stations in Spain or the 1,000-plus stations each in Italy, France, Greece and Australia are barred from airing news and cultural affairs. In fact, many stations are solely news channels, including specialised ones for community radio." The apex court noted that few can afford to open a private TV channel, but people can open FM and community radio stations.

The home ministry's reply drew an alarming picture. "Broadcast of news by these stations/channels may pose a possible security risk as there is no mechanism to monitor the contents of the news bulletins of every such station. These stations may be exploited by foreign/radical organisations to broadcast radical views." At present, broadcasting news bulletins and current affairs programmes on radio are AIR's "exclusive preserve".

The court took the matter up on Feb 15, 2017. It merely asked the government to allow community radio and private FM radio stations to broadcast news, but on the basis of information available in the public domain. According to a report, the court said it "might not be feasible to give a free hand to private radio stations to broadcast their own news as it might create `havoc' in sensitive areas like the northeast and Jammu and Kashmir, but they should be permitted to take the contents of newspapers and TV channels to broadcast them". This is poor consolation to the citizen.

The government's counsel gave the familiar excuse "national security and public order". Anti-nationals might use private radios "for propagating their agenda". The court questioned the government's right to foist AIR's news bulletins on private radio stations. But the only concession it mentioned was freedom to air contents of newspapers and TV channels.

There is no pre-censorship news on powerful TV channels or the press. There is no reason why FM radio or community radios, of far more limited range, should be subjected to such humiliating curbs which impair their credibility and worth. In any case the curbs are inherently void. They violate the fundamental right to free speech. The radio is a part of the citizen's daily life -- an inseparable friend.

The writer is an author and a lawyer based in Mumbai. Published in Dawn [PAKISTAN], September 9th, 2017 (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 9525-, Sept 16 at 1246, no signal from VOI. No entry yet for today at http://rri.jpn.org but Atsunori Ishida says it was already absent on Sept 14 and 15 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST) and still not reported as of Sept 19

** INDONESIA. 3325, Sept 18 at 1228 immediately upon tune-in, ``Radio Republik Indonesia`` ID in passing, at S2-S4, with Bougainville no doubt already off --- Palangkaraya the last living Indonesian SW station as 9525-, VOI is still absent (but maybe not forever) (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 3325, Sept 19 at 1302, RRI Palangkaraya is still on, and 9525-, VOI is still off (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INTERNATIONAL WATERS [non]. Caribbean Emergency and Weather Net --- In Irma's wake, radio amateurs in the Eastern Caribbean have been passing information into and out of the affected area, Eric Mackie, 9Z4CP, told ARRL on September 12. The Caribbean Emergency and Weather Net (CEWN) has been using 7162, 7188, and 3815 kHz, and has requested clear frequencies.

Part of today's "ARRL Letter". 73, (Bill VE3ES Leal in waterlogged but drying out Windsor, Sept 14, ODXA yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

** IRAN. [Re 17-37, BAHRAIN [non]] re Bahrain / Iran 400 / 600 kW MW

1080 kHz Bandar-e Mahshahr, Khozestan Province [Khuzestan], 600 kW formerly VoIRIB scheduled 1630-0230 UT
<www.asiawaves.net/mediumwave-1080.htm>

30 36 46.55 N 49 12 06.16 E
<https://goo.gl/maps/xf1tgmE1fvN2>
<https://binged.it/2x4iM20>

1224 kHz Kish Island, VoIRIB foreign sce Arabic, 300/400 kW
26 33 54.93 N 53 55 49.49 E
<https:\\goo.gl/maps/B8dFWdgn1Gp>
<https:\\binged.it/2frsQIe>
73 wolfie (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

in June 2012 this item appeared

IRAN, Hello Alan, re: "It seems 1224 kHz 24h Ext. Sce in Arabic is actually from a site on Kish Island in the Gulf (26 33' 55"N, 53 55' 50"E) using a two-mast directional antenna - see
<http://www.jpier.org/PIERB/pierb04/13.08010604.pdf>
and
<http://nmg-co.ir/en/news-details/32/Transmitting-stations-in-the-country/>

Kerman is about 500 km from the nearest Arabic-speaking countries across mostly mountainous terrain. On 1224 kHz it would hardly provide a service there in daytime from an omnidirectional antenna, even with 400 kW, so Kish seems more plausible as the site for this particular frequency."

Yes, I agree and think that this is much more plausible, because Kish island is a perfect location for a mediumwave transmitter site broadcasting towards the Emirates, parts of Saudi-Arabia and Yemen.

A few more clues about the directional beam of both antenna masts, which is 210degr, were monitored some time ago, as early as in December 2008 on 2 different remote receivers situated in South Africa, which would lie exactly within the extended target area of the antenna beam.

So, back then I was a bit puzzled about the strong signal strength coming into South Africa, which is commonly received over there every evening, and I wondered whether it was really broadcasting on the Kerman transmitter site.

Apparently the signals are considerably weaker towards Europe, it's hardly ever receivable in central Europe. In Joensuu, Finland on Mauno Ritola's SDR-IQ connected to a beverage antenna the signal on 1224 kHz from Kish island is received at fair levels at night, often under Galei Zahal (ISR). 73, Bjoern Tryba, editor, <http://www.fmlist.org> - <http://www.mwlist.org> mwmasts yg via dxld June 6)

As editor / owner of this group I am delighted that MWMasts is proving to be such a good forum for sharing the hobby of finding MW masts. The speed with which Alan Davies and Bjoern have been addressing the mystery 1224 kHz location meant that I missed a chance to investigate the "interim" post from Bjoern.

The latest - Kish Island - at 210 degrees makes a lot of sense. Presuming that 400 kW remains as the power this would provide good reception throughout the south of the Arabian peninsula. This of course is precisely where there have been recent conflicts.

The Kish Island site (26 33 55 N 53 55 50 E) will now be entered onto the Current database. Well done to Alan and Bjoern. 73's (Dan Goldfarb, ibid., dxld June 6) [2012] (Wolfgang B¸schel, DXLD)

** IRAN. Additional frequency of VIRI IRIB PARS TODAY from Sept 13: 1253-1420 on 5920 SIR 500 kW / 100 deg to SoAs Urdu, additional freq. // frequency 13795 SIR 500 kW / 080 deg to SoAs as scheduled A-17
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/additional-frequency-of-viri-irib-pars.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 13 via DXLD)

** JAPAN [and non]. 3925, Sept 15 at 1229, again no signal from R. Nikkei 1 tho supposed to last until 1415 on Fridays. 6055 on, 9595 inaudible too. Maybe on another of those extended maintenance breaks? 3945 does have a signal, in fact two, so maybe R. Vanuatu in addition to R. Nikkei 2 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

3925, R Nikkei-1, at 1335. American style jazz program, W presenter in Japanese. Noted VG // on 6055; 9595 not heard. Good with flutter, Sept 17 (Rick Barton, AZ, Times/Dates Zulu. Assume English unless otherwise stated. Logged with RS SW-2000629 or Grundig Satellit 750 and various outdoor wires. 73 and Good Listening.....! dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KASHMIR [non]. INDIA, Weak to fair signal of Voice of Kashmir, Sept 15: 1430-1530 on 6030 DEL 100 kW / non-dir to SoAs Kashmiri
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/weak-to-fair-signal-of-voice-of-kashmir.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. - - - - from DX LISTENING DIGEST 17-36, Sept 5:

``KOREA NORTH [non]. 5965, JAPAN, Shiokaze clandestine broadcast, August 31, 2017 [Thursday] 1348ñ1402 in English. SIO 555. F announcer, with focus on N. Korea. Excellent, clear, and strong signal. F commentator reading items clearly and deliberately. ID at 1355, followed by message from the government of Japan to North Korea. ID

again at 1356. F announcer telling of purpose for broadcast and asking for information about abducted Japanese citizens. Contact information given for online, telephone and surface mail. Sign-off with ID and ìhave a good day.î Interval music, followed by switch to Japanese language at 1400 (Vince Henley, Anacortes, WA, Equipment currently in use: Tecsun PL-380, Ten-Tec RX-340, Drake R8B, ICOM IC-R8600, Sony ICF-2010. Antennas are half-meter whip on PL-380, 1.2 meter whip on ICF-2010, and Alpha-Delta DX-Ultra installed broadside east-west, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD) Not a break until 1405 for that? (gh)``

Hi Glenn, Your question was a good one! Vince must have actually been hearing Korean, via CRI, which is scheduled 1400-1457, on 5965 and is being heard daily with a strong signal. Sept 14, confirmed Shiokaze is up on 7295 at *1405, so certainly not on 5965 after 1400* (Ron Howard, California, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5965, Shiokaze/Sea Breeze via Yamata, at 1358, on Sept 16, hit with the strong start up of CRI; mixing together till Shiokaze 1400* (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

JAPAN, Furusato no Kaze via Shiokaze Sea Breeze, Sept 12: 1405-1435 on 7295 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2017/09/furusato-no-kaze-via-shiokaze-sea.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #1029 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Sept 19, 2017, via DXLD)

** KOREA SOUTH. 5920, Voice of Freedom. Sept 15 with yet another day of no N. Korea jamming here and VOF with strong signal 1144+; since Sept 7, VOF has been in the clear on this frequency (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5920, Voice of Freedom, at 1328, Sept 16. Another day of good reception with no N. Korea jamming. My audio at
http://goo.gl/2TUiCr

4885, Echo of Hope - VOH, 1324, Sept 16. The usual one hour program "Radio Broadcasting Guide," in Korean and not // to the other VOH frequencies; during the program they provide sample IDs from many stations that broadcast to Korea; VOA ("V O A World News") and singing KBS Hanminjog Bangsong ID ("Migug-e Soli Bangsong"); strong signal as usual; never jammed by N. Korea, but on some days is covered by OTH radar (from China?). My audio at
http://goo.gl/1juQiR
Program is repeated again at ToH (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN [non]. Reception of Denge Kurdistan, Sept 15:
1858-2100 on 7320 ERV 100 kW / 125 deg to WeAs Kurdish
1858-2100 on 7520 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg to WeAs Kurdish
1900-2100 on 11600 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg to WeAs Kurdish
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-denge-kurdistan-sept15_16.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via DXLD)

Today 11600 kHz is again on air around 0800. And no trace of additional 7520 and 9580 here. Grigoriopol is really unlikely to test with Armenian Radio program audio. So this test came very likely from Gavar, and probably the additional Denge Kurdistane transmissions do (or did?) as well (Kai Ludwig, dxldyg via DXLD)

But 9580 is with 1.5 second delay from 7520 (Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

Re: ARMENIA Random reception of Armenian Public Radio on Sept.15
0805-0810 on 7520 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg to WeAs Armenian & off
0805-0810 on 9580 ERV 100 kW / 125 deg to WeAs Armenian & off
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/random-reception-of-armenian-public_15.html
(Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

Denge Kurdistane --- Are all the additional frequencies gone again? Have they all been mere tests? At ca. 0750 I could not trace anything on 7520 and 9580. And now, at 2035, again nothing on 7320 and 7520. Only 11600 was there (Kai Ludwig, Sept 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Probably tests are Mon-Fri only -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Sept 17, ibid.)

Again neither 7520 nor 9580 came on air this morning, at least not until 0708. Only single 11600 as usual. So it looks indeed like a now concluded series of tests, probably with the simple goal to snap a new customer (Kai Ludiwg, Sept 18, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

** KUWAIT. See USA, BBG [WORLD OF RADIO 1896]

** KYRGYZSTAN. 4010.220, Sept 15 at 1232, JBA carrier, on exactly the same frequency Wolfgang B¸schel reported Bishkek Birinchi R1 from Krasnaya Rechka, last May 9 (as subsequently researched). Can`t find a more recent precision of it, tho several logs as ``4010``. Good for grayline: sunset 1312 UT, my sunrise 1214 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The message from "Birinci radio".

Dear Dmitry Kutuzov, The Public Broadcasting Corporation of the Kyrgyz Republic (hereinafter - KTRK) received a letter on your behalf. Very happy to find their listeners far beyond their own country. Today KTRK is not only a large-scale, but also the most popular media platform in the market of Kyrgyzstan. The corporation presents 6 television channels, 5 radio stations and an information media portal (web site).
TV channels:
ï "The First Public Channel" - the first and main socio-political TV channel of the country
ï Cultural and educational TV channel KTRK - "Madaniyat"
ï Youth entertainment TV channel KTRK - Music,
ï Children's Educational TV Channel - "Balastan"
ï The first sports channel in Kyrgyzstan - KTRK-Sport
ï 24-hour information channel "Ala-Too 24"

Radio stations:
ï Information Radio - Birinci Radio
ï Cultural and educational radio - "Kyrgyz Radio"
ï Youth and entertainment radio - "MiKyal FM"
ï Radio in the language of ethnic minorities - "Dostuk Radiosu"
ï Children's channel - Baldar FM

Best regards,
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http://www.ktrk.kg
(Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / "deneb-radio-dx" via RusDX Sept 17 via DXLD)

I received an electronic confirmation by a letter from the Kyrgyz TV and Radio Company for reception in Russian Birinci radio - 07/09/2017 at a frequency of 4010 [sic] kHz with 1730 to 1750 UT. The report was sent to: public @ ktrk.kg, ktrksite @ gmail.com, office-rrtc @ ktrk.kg. Answer received from
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http://www.ktrk.kg
(Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / "deneb-radio-dx", QSL World, Rus-DX 17 Sept, via DXLD)

A confirmation was received in the form of an e-mail from Birinci Radio from Kyrgyzstan in response to a resubmitted report for April 9, 2016. The letter was sent by Ms. Cholpon Temirbekova - International Relations and Protocol Department Officer Public Broadcasting Corporation of the Kyrgyz Republic from the address montecristoyanni@gmail.com
It is difficult to call this a full-fledged confirmation, but better than silence in return. Confirmation can be seen here http://freerutube.info/2017/09/11/e-qsl-birinchi-radio-ktrk-kyirgyizstan-2016-god/
(Dmitry Elagin, Saratovskaya oblast, Russia / "deneb-radio-dx", ibid.)

A month or two ago I received by mail a written confirmation from the Deputy Director General of the Kyrgyz Radio and Radio. In my report, I informed them about the content of their programs, say Women of Kyrgyzstan, Sports Week, etc., heard in April 2017. The letter and the programs were in Russian (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria / "deneb-radio-dx", ibid.)

** MADAGASCAR. 9600, WCB, English program via MDG, S=6 at 0212 UT, sidelobe signal into Europe, of 40 degree azimuth program towards EaAF, NE, ME, CeAsia [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, on remote units in NY, NJ-US coast, but also in southern Germany Europe, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17640, Sept 16 at 1830, MWV African Pathways Radio is the SSOB at S9+10 during `Creation Moment` with a nonsensical item about butterflies vs birds as if Darwinism could not explain it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11610, World Christian Broadcasting (KNLS) at 2100 in Mandarin with IS and opening music and a man with opening announcements then western pop vocals to 2105 and a man with apparent religious talk to 2109 and a brief music bridge and into a woman with apparent religious talk to 2112 and a man with talk with mentions of ìJesusî ñ Very Good Sep 18 ñ

Maybe Iím an idiot but I fail to understand what secular pop vocals have to do with religious broadcasting. My experience directing choirs in the Roman Catholic Church is that we must avoid using secular music at all costs. Maybe KNLS knows more than me? I sincerely doubt that. Perhaps they fear they will lose their audience if they donít cater to the least common denominator? Who knows? (Mark Coady, Selwyn, Ontario,

Kenwood TS440S or Ten-Tec Argonaut II and 40 and 80 meter off centre-fed dipoles, ODXA yg via DXLD)

** MALDIVES. On 28 April 2015, national broadcaster Maldives Broadcasting Corporation ceased to be and was reformed as Public Service Media (PSM). The new entity operates two TV channels, a weekly magazine and three radio stations, the latter being Dhivehi Raajjeyge Adu (Voice of Maldives) on 1449 kHz mediumwave & 89.0 MHz FM, Dhivehi FM on 91.0 MHz and Dheenuge Adu on 90.0 MHz FM. This and further info in English is available on their new website at http://www.psm.mv

I couldn't find any links to live streams on the site but Dhivehi Raajjeyge Adu and Dhivehi FM streams can be accessed via the TuneIn.com portal. On Dhivehi Raajjeyge Adu a 10-minute newscast in English was noted at 1300 UT (Dave Kernick, WRTH Facebook 18.8.2017 via ARC Mv-eko 11 Sept via DXLD)

** MARSHALL ISLANDS. 1098, 0854, V7AB, Majuro strong with islands music, announcer in local language. Sudden break into BBC news in English 0902, then island music again from 0906. Nothing resembling an actual ID heard. 25/8 (Ian Wells using the Leagueís Northland SDR, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

Michigan DU's, Sept 14 --- I had some music this morning on 1098, finally what I can honestly describe as sounding like "island music" as opposed to the Bryan Adams and Celine Dion songs I heard before on Aug. 31st here. The island music was neat to hear, with peaks around 1053 and another good peak around 1120. My local sunrise was 1125 UT. 73, (Tim Tromp, West Michigan, Perseus SDR + southwest phased BOGs, ABDX via DXLD) See also AUSTRALIA [and non]

** MEXICO. 560, Sept 18 at 1200 mentions Monterrey, Nuevo LeÛn, but then spoken and sung ``La Tremenda``, which is XESRD, Santiago Papasquiaro, Durango, 10/1 kW (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 630, Sept 18 at 1202, full ID for XEFB, Monterrey NL, by SHVA (super-hype voice actor) (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Mexico AM news - Baja Sur --- A while back I heard a Mexican anthem on 660 kHz which appeared to be coming from the mountain time zone. I wondered if XESJC Cabo San Lucas had not vacated AM yet after all. Tonight I listened to their web stream and they gave their legal ID as XESJC 660. So XESJC-660 is still active on AM.

Bigger surprise: I've just been chatting with a DJ at XELBC-730/XHLBC-95.7 Loreto, and he says the 730 is still on the air. He's going to find out tomorrow if it is still a daytimer. I've been listening to

their web stream for the last half hour. At the top of the hour they identified as La Giganta (no call letters) and gave a power of 2500 watts (without saying if it was for AM or FM). The AM is listed as a 10 kW daytimer, and the FM is listed as 25 kW. To the best of my knowledge no one has ever heard this station. Maybe the AM is really only 2.5 kW? This one will be very tough to hear. XESOS has a monster signal, and XEHB and XEX can also be heard here. XEEBC Ensenada is long gone. 73 (Tim Hall, UT Sept 19, ABDX via DXLD)

** MEXICO. 770, Sept 15 at 1210, several ``Los Cuarenta`` slogans atop music, i.e. XEREV Los Mochis, Sinaloa, owning the frequency now; would that be 5000 watts day or 100 watts night? Had just tuned past other NW Mexicans on 650, 700, 710, 730. KKOB NM should pop on to ND day pattern at 1245 during September (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See USA: KKOB

** MEXICO. 790, Sept 18 at 1205, patriotic speech clips, probably from Sept. 16 celebrations; 1207 surprised by untranslated English clips of Tillerson, Haley, May; back to Spanish, loops SW and dominant. 1212 program ID as `En los Tiempos de la Radio``; Senado PSA; and finally ID as ``790 AM Grupo FÛrmula La Paz``; 1213 mini-features `MÈxico y sus Sabores` about quesadillas; `Rincones de MÈxico` about Cuatro CiÈnagas, Coahuila and its dunes; then another `Sabores` about gorditas. This is XENT, 10000/750 watts, La Paz BCS. Always neat to hear a station from the far end of Mexico; already this morning heard closer but unlogged nearby Sinaloans across the Cortez Sea on 610, 650 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 830, XEITE, Radio Capital, MÈxico, DF [sic]. 1049 September 16, 2017. "I Just Want to Be Your Everything" by dead Andy Gibb, Spanish ballad, truncated anthem at 1100, ID 1102.

830, unidentified. 1057 September 16, 2017. Anthem up from 1057, very poor under XEITE, nothing else audible (Terry Krueger, All times/dates GMT, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, longwires, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1410, XEBS, MÈxico, DF [sic]. 1023 September 17, 2017. What began as a mystery, Mexi-tunes and what seems like "La Jefa, Bandolera" slogan by man often. Thought it was something domestic, but then the Mexican national anthem up from 1055. Faded too much for full ID after, but continued to reference "Bandolera" slogan and maybe still La Jefa. Searching the web, I find bandolera1410.com which in the WRTVH and very stale IRCA Mexican list, is XEBS Perrona 1410, MÈxico, DF, 25/1 kW but obviously not 1000 watts at this listen. Some WNGL and WMYR (both EWTN) co-channel. How sorely missed is Fred Cant˙'s Mexico AM/FM website (Terry Krueger, All times/dates GMT, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, longwires, active loop, DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Mexico City news - XEINFO-1560 back on the air after 8 years (XEEST-1440)

I'm updating my records in preparation for this year's Border Inn trip. When I went to XEEST-1440's web site, I found everything was updated to 1560 AM, except for one obscure reference to "Ring 1440." See
http://www.quiereme.mx/

Grupo 7 has apparently bought the long-silent XEINFO-1560 and moved the XEEST-1440 "QuiÈreme" format to 1560.

Facebook page says it's XEINFO:
https://www.facebook.com/pg/QuieremeRadio/about/?ref=page_internal

Webstream was airing a Spanish Apostolic religious program "La Red Apostolica" , but the web site itself seems to suggest a romantic / oldies format.

Top of hour ID just said XEINFO 1560 AM, 50kW, Grupo 7. Now they're back into religious announcements. So, I wonder exactly what is happening on 1440? 73 Tim

[later posted at 0004 UT Sept 19:] On the XEINFO-1560 web stream just now, 3 minutes after giving the XEINFO-1560 ID, a female announcer gave an announcement saying "aquÌ en 14-40 AM..." Maybe simulcasting temporarily, or just operator error? (Tim Hall, CA, Sept 18, ABDX via DXLD)

Is that 50 kW day and night with ND or directional? (Todd Skaine, Bloomington MN, ibid.)

I'm not sure but I think it's non-directional and lower power at night, maybe 10 kW. When I was a teenager in the 1970s, they were XEVIP, and broadcast in English. They were a CBS affiliate for Mexico City back when foreign language broadcasts were very rare on AM in the US and Mexico. They used to get out well.

1560 was a great channel back in the day, because KNZR (then KPMC) was off on Monday mornings until 4 am (this continued into the early or mid 1990s, one of the last big stations to have a regular silent period). Neil Kazaross and I used to get amazing catches on beverage antennas like WINV-FL (500w PSRA) and one or two small stations in OH. I'll be trying for XEINFO at the Border Inn for sure. 73 (Tim Hall, Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone, ibid.)

** MEXICO. Celebra un nuevo aniversario Radio La KaÒona 94.3 FM, en Escuinapa --- 14/09/2017

La radio de Escuinapa, La KaÒona 94.3 FM, celebrÛ el 49 aniversario de su fundaciÛn, el 5 de septiembre de 1968, informÛ Francisco Mill·n Belmonte, sexto aniversario en frecuencia modulada.

Resultado de imagen para Radio La KaÒona 94.3 FM [capciÛn]

Desde sus inicios, el mass media [sic] radiofÛnico ha sido un Ìcono para los escuinapenses, pues en estos 49 aÒos, se ha tenido que adaptar a los cambios paradigm·ticos en el tema de la digitalizaciÛn.

ìAgradecerle al Presidente Municipal, a su seÒora esposa, al rector de la Universidad, al arquitecto Rivera, a mi seÒora madre Elba y mi hermana Jaqueline, que han sido piezas claves en estos casi cincuenta aÒos, estos 49 aÒos lo creÛ mi abuelo Francisco Mill·n Ramos, cuando quiso que Escuinapa tuviera su radio, poco a poco ha ido creciendo esta empresaî, informÛ.

Dijo que en estos 49 aÒos se ha ido logrando reformar a este medio de comunicaciÛn, por lo que tambiÈn agradeciÛ a quienes han formado parte de esta radioemisora.

Por su parte, el Alcalde Hugo Enrique Moreno Guzm·n, agradeciÛ la invitaciÛn, e indicÛ que a travÈs de este medio se interact˙a con la sociedad escuinapense.
http://www.noroeste.com.mx (via GRA blog via DXLD)

Like many of the press items on the GRA blog, makes you wonder what country this is about; no clue in the headline, nor even in the text, intended for local readers who know it all. I find Escuinapa de Hidalgo SE of Mazatl·n on the road to Nayarit. WTFDA Database shows:

XHQE-FM 94.3 ESCUINAPA SINALOA MEX 25.0 25.0 1.06 1.06
22-50-16 105-45-06 Spanish REGIONAL MEXICAN LA KA—ONA + AM 1340
(Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. RAYMIE`S MEXICO BEAT this week --- [including DTV -non]

It's arrivederci for an AM radio station that has turned in its concession and gone off the air.

XEPVI-AM 1280 Xalisco-Tepic, Nayarit, was owned by Plenitud de Vida, A.C. and offered religious programming. Plenitud de Vida surrendered its concession in July,
http://rpc.ift.org.mx/rpc/pdfs/37900_170808233906_4696.pdf
citing that its budget did not allow it to continue to run the radio

station.

Additionally, as predicted, the Veracruz state network has said goodbye to four of its television stations.
XHCDB,
http://rpc.ift.org.mx/rpc/pdfs/44922_170911234345_7797.pdf
XHGVS,
http://rpc.ift.org.mx/rpc/pdfs/44916_170911234603_2332.pdf
XHVIM,
http://rpc.ift.org.mx/rpc/pdfs/44908_170911233825_4219.pdf
and XHVTA
http://rpc.ift.org.mx/rpc/pdfs/44906_170911235306_6655.pdf
did not make the digital television transition
(Raymie Humbert, Phúnix AZ, Sept 18, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

I need to catch up on some moldy oldies in the article department.

The first is from last week in Reforma.
http://www.mediatelecom.com.mx/index.php/radiodifusion/radio/item/145945-acusa-radio-ind%C3%ADgena-trabas-en-presupuesto
Indigenous (and community) stations, which are entitled to 1% of every federal agency's advertising budget, want the government to get a move on. The other worry that AMARC has is that with declining budgets and more qualifying stations, the pie slices will get ever-smaller. On the bright side, the IFT has been joined by a few other agencies.

The other is this curious item from Tribuna Campeche two weeks ago.
http://tribunacampeche.com/opinion/2017/09/05/granos-de-arena/
It talks a bit about the AM-FM migration for XHIC-FM, a (permit transition limbo'd) social station in Campeche. Apparently the move to FM was a very good deal ó the station wanted increased coverage, and it had also been informed by the National Anthropological and Historical Institute (INAH) that its AM stick was located in the historic city center of Campeche, which had recently earned UNESCO World Heritage Site status, and was a blight on the city! (Raymie, Sept 18, ibid.)

The IFT will be closed tomorrow and Wednesday after today's Mexico City earthquake.
http://www.ift.org.mx/comunicacion-y-medios/comunicados-ift/es/el-instituto-federal-de-telecomunicaciones-informa-comunicado-1172017

Much as with the closure of other services (such as all public schools in Mexico City and seven states), this allows time for the IFT's facilities to be inspected for potential damage.

Among the events that will be held at another date was a planned Pleno meeting that had been slated for tomorrow. There has been no word on

the planned hearings in the Senate to select a new IFT president.

No radio facilities appear to have taken significant damage. XHZA for a time lost power to its transmitter on Avenida Ju·rez in Toluca ó resulting in the discovery of this site for the first time. Some TV stations are off air ó Imagen's Cuernavaca transmitter was reported down.

As with the earthquake off the Chiapas coast 12 days ago, broadcasters are engaging in a variety of support activities, broadcasting news and official information and opening up donation centers. President PeÒa Nieto delivered a message to the nation via cadena nacional at 8pm. http://rtc.gob.mx/pautas/archivo/Aviso_Cadena_Nacional_19_de_septiembre_2017.pdf (Raymie, Sept 19, ibid.)

Well, here's some radio damage. XHTIX-FM Temixco-Cuernavaca Mor. https://www.facebook.com/pg/Radiologico100.1FM/videos/ suffered some damage to its facilities on a Cuernavaca hilltop. And the STIRTT offices also showed visible cracks and some broken glass. https://twitter.com/RicardoAcedoSam/status/910620175879114753 Last edited by (Raymie; 09-20-2017 at 10:36 PM, ibid.)

** MICRONESIA. According to the Station Manager who I met at an ABU meeting in Honiara in mid-August, V6AI Yap operates from 7 am-11 pm Yap time, daily 7 days a week on 1494 kHz with 10 kW (Martin Hadlow, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD) 2100-1300 UT (Bryan Clark, ed., ibid.)

** MOROCCO. New LW transmitter is planned for 207 kHz

After interruptions in broadcasting due to breakdowns, the longwave transmitter located between Azilal and Ait in the centre of Morocco will be replaced. A tender was launched for an AM / DRM radio transmitter with a power of 800 kW configured in two blocks of 400 kW and for the repair of the mast 300.50 m high. The names of the companies that won the offer will be known in a few days. The station broadcasting on 207 kHz is Al Ida Al Watania [SNRT National Network], a general radio which offers varied programmes ranging from information to culture through to entertainment, with a variety of musical programming. (Radios du Monde via WRTH Facebook page 26 July via BDXC via Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** MYANMAR. 5985, Myanmar Radio, 1239, Sept 11. Special coverage of Malaysia vs Myanmar AFF U-18 football/soccer match held at Thuwunna Stadium (Yangon); fair, with loud sound of the fans in the background; again seemed to be TV audio feed. For those that are interested, Youtube coverage
http://goo.gl/WK3S69

5985, Myanmar Radio, 1129, Sept 13. Special coverage of Vietnam vs Myanmar U-18 football/soccer match held at Thuwunna Stadium (Yangon); which preempted the usual Wednesday language lesson - "Say It In English." Youtube live streaming at
http://goo.gl/fu6NHp
(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Fair to good signal of Voice of America via Myanmar Radio on Sept 13:
1530-1543 5985 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg English Myanmar Radio newsbulletin
1543-1600 5985 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg Special English Voice of America:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/fair-to-good-signal-of-voice-of-america.html

Good signal of Radio Japan NHK World via Myanmar Radio, Sept 15:
1528-1533 5985 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg SEAs transmitter is not on air
1533-1547 5985 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg SEAs English Myanmar Radio, news
1547-1600 5985 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg SEAs English Thu/Fri R.Japan NHK
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/fair-signal-of-radio-japan-nhk-world.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News via DXLD)

5985, Myanmar Radio, 1305, Sept 16. In vernacular and with indigenous music/singing; fair-good. My audio
http://goo.gl/wSLCTZ
(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MYANMAR. News from an Austrian DXer Paul, according to Phoenix Germany's news TV program:

Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 6:40 PM
Subject: Myanmar
  Gria's di God, Wolfgang!
  ?Auf Phoenix vor ein paar Minuten gehoert.
  ?Die Regierungschefin vom Myanmar sagt in einer Rede ua.
  ?"wir haben einen neuen Radiosender in Betrieb genommen in den Sprachen Bangla und einigen Myanmarsprachen." Pfiat di! und 73

Myanmar set up a new radio station (?or rather program) in Bangla language and more different Myanmar ethnic languages. Propaganda and to publish true news on the Rohingya problem. Mixture folk people's origin since the Middle Ages lived there, original Arabs and Bangla people settled on Myanmar/Burmese coastline since the Middle Ages. Was still an ethnic problem even under British Empire era. 73 wb
(Wolfgang B¸schel, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Maybe another SW service, but no further details (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Thanks. I wonder if Alan has heard about this? 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, DX LISTENNG DIGEST)

Hi Mauno, I don't have any information, unfortunately. Maybe it's new regional programming from Myanma Radio? Their distribution network allows them to switch specific FM transmitters around the country to opt out of the national service and relay programming in the relevant minority languages. Best regards, (Alan Davies, ibid.)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. 5960, Sept 17 at 0130 check, JBA carrier from presumed The Mighty KBC, so the new frequency via GERMANY is not working out very well. Some months ago I tried to convince Uncle Eric to get on WRMI or WBCQ if he really wants a reliable signal into North America, but his loyalty lies with MBR (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. Dear Sir/Madam, On the 30th of September [Saturday] Universe Radio will make a special HF broadcast to celebrate its 5 years anniversary. We would like to ask if you could publish the transmit date so your members/readers can try and receive our broadcast? A QSL card will be available.

Universe Radio is a 24/7 internet music station. We play a mix of old and new hits and mix that with independent music. The program on the 30th will be a mix of music and ìlook backî on the last 5 years.

The transmit schedule:
11.00 - 15.00 CET 15230 (Armenia site, 100 kW) 09-13 UT
12.00 - 17.00 CET 9330 (American site, 50 kW) [WBCQ] 10-15 UT
16.00 - 20.00 CET 6070 (German site, 100 kW) 14-18 UT
[with that much power on 6070, maybe Austria instead? gh]

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Universe-Radio (Sept 14, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND. 6679-USB, Sept 18 at 1251, VOLMET in monotone DU accent, can`t catch locations until 1253 ``Terminal forecast, Auckland``; S5. Per EiBi it is indeed Auckland, starting at :20 and :50 past the hours, time-shared with Tokyo, Hong Kong, Honolulu (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. YHWH --- Confirmed 9/17/17, 7470-AM, 0319-0349*

(Rich Ray, Chicago, 0003 UT Sept 18, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I am hearing YHWH right now (9/18, 0220Z) here in Arizona. S-9 sigs on 7470 kHz, fyi (Rick Barton, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7470, UNITED STATES [sic], YHWH (Pirate) at 0220, familiar voice, familiar Yahweh or the Highway lecture. By 0245 was back to his old 10 Commandments of Yahweh segment. Good S-9 signal, steady, and without the low audio of the past. Stepped away and returned just before the ToH to find only an OC that went off on or about 0300. Earlier I had a voice on 7585 that had turned out to be some SSB traffic on 7583 (his old frequency). VG, Sept 18 (Rick Barton, AZ, Times/Dates Zulu. Assume English unless otherwise stated. Logged with RS SW-2000629 or Grundig Satellit 750 and various outdoor wires. 73 and Good Listening.....! dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

YHWH is back on 7470 tonight (9/19, 0145 at tune-in). Solid S-9 here in Arizona. 73 and Good Listening....! (Rick Barton, ibid.)

7470, Sept 19 at 0219, JBA carrier, presumed the revived Station YHWH which was first reported two nights ago by Rich Ray near Chicago, then by Rick Barton, AZ, who had him strong, and by several others.

It has been a sesquimonth since I last traced him on his then favorite frequency, 7585. Sept 20 at 0158, now enough signal, S9 on 7470 to recognize his strident voice talking about Yahweh past 0211 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Fairly strong in Minnesota now as well at 0211Z. Lots of QSB but no total fade outs in last 10 minutes. Definitely getting stronger. 73, (Mike Gorniak, NM7X, Braham, MN, Sept 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yep, thanks to Rick for finding YHWH back again on a new frequency. Fair to good reception at 0252 tune in on 7470. Modulation issues seem to have been resolved. 73, (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, Sept 19, ibid.)

Excellent reception via Perseus SDR remote receiver near Edmonton, AB (Don Moman's antenna farm). Yes, their transmitter problems seem to have been solved. Now one can hope for more interesting programming! 73, (Walt Salmaniw, 0257 UT, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi again, Tonight here at 0225 UT on 7470 kHz. His audio is pretty weak. Can't really hear him. Lots of fade. Rick, if you are hearing him strong he is close to you. 73 (Art KA5DWI Near Prescott Valley AZ,

UT Sept 19, ABDX yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

After I made my report he seemed to fade out. This has happened before. There are times when I can't tell whether he had closed or just died off. 73 from the bottom of the hole, (Rick Barton, 0236 UT, ibid.)

I hear nada at the moment, but I flipped on my BFO and there IS an AM carrier present on 7470. (SENT at 0240Z). (Barton, ibid.)

Last time I heard a carrier on 7585 was Aug 5 (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. Hi Glenn, Here's a new BSR Program. Also, FYI, probably will start shortwave broadcasts the first week in October, contingent on the finances coming together for airtime purchases.

http://broadspectrumradio.com/2017/09/15/bsr-oklahoma-magazine-show-racists-and-hurricanes-in-america-bsr-program-205/

BSR Magazine Show #205 ñ Racism and Hurricanes in America

from BroadSpectrumRadio.com Hosted by James M. Branum

First broadcast in Oklahoma City on KTLR 890 am on Friday, September 16, 2017 [at 1600-1615 UT]

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Welcome to the BSR Magazine Show from BroadSpectrumRadio.com, and programmed by James M. Branum

Just a reminder that you can hear this and all of our past episodes on our website,
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as well with your favorite podcastting programs and our android app.

Weíll begin with two very relevant audio commentaries by Mumia Abu-Jamal, from Prison Radio. The first commentary is entitled ìThe Battles of Historyî and the second is ìStorms over Texasî

http://www.prisonradio.org/media/audio/mumia/battles-history-359-mumia-abu-jamal
http://www.prisonradio.org/media/audio/mumia/storms-over-texas-152-mumia-abu-jamal

(Organic foods PSA ñ 0:33)

Next weíll hear an interview by Dianne Penn of United Nations Radio with International Orgnization for Migration spokesperson Joel Millman

on the rising death rate at the US-Mexico border.

http://www.unmultimedia.org/radio/english/2017/08/iom-worried-by-rise-in-deaths-of-migrants-crossing-us-mexico-border/index.html#.WbtcEsh96Uk

Closing message from The Flobots, ìThereís a war going on for your mindî (James Matthew Branum, Sept 15, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 960, KGWA, Enid, Sept/12/17, 0659 EDT [1059 UT] English, very good, all alone on the frequency!! Ad for "Quicken Loans" at 0659 EDT. ID by Male DJ at 0700 EDT as "Since 1950 - You or someone you know listens to what we have to say - Newstalk 960 - KGWA Enid". Into FOX News at 0700-0702 EDT. Ads at 0702 to end of recording. Pretty strong for a 1 kW station! NEW STN 1 kW. RECEIVER is ELAD FDM-S2 SDR; ANTENNA is WELLBROOK ALA-1530LNP Imperium Loop; AM BCB TOTALS are now 2,030 Stations Heard. 73ÖÖROB VA3SW (Robert S. Ross, London, Ontario CANADA, ODXA yg via DXLD)

And he`s off the side of the nominal day and night pattern, NNW/SSE favoring OKC. Auroral conditions, I think (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1210, KGYN Guymon, OK was Westwood One Mainstream Country, now talk, adds slogan: ìThe Big Talkerî (BROADCASTING INFORMATION ñ Robert J Wien, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 16 via DXLD)

** OKLAHOMA [and non]. Hepburn maps show no tropo enhancement at all around here the morning of Sept 14, but there is: RF 48, KOCY-LP, OKC, our last NTSC station, is visible in snowy color with Estrella TV, steady signal well enough to see it default to black screen erratically with three different error messages floating around: no signal, no program, and audio only! Just what feed is being put into this transmitter, that gets lost so much? As usual, the same programming requiring busty ladies goes out on a subchannel of full-power RF 29 KTUZ, as virtual ``48-1`` (but Suddenlink Enid somehow avoids having to propagate it cablely on any tier). At least the real 48 transmitter itself is not getting interrupted, off and on the air, as has happened before.

Also in are DTV RF 45, 31 and 26 from Wichita and lots of Bads, including 35, 22, 19. RF 20 KQCW-LD decodes as 19-1; local K17JN-D Enid does not decode due to DX QRM.

RF 43, Bad DTV is most intriguing, as there are four translators in western Oklahoma: Altus, Elk City, Lawton, Seiling, all less likely now than KCTU-LD, 2.7 kW in Wichita KS.

Tropo burned off, later at 1930 UT, I am trying to watch PBS Create on

a TV in another room with nothing but rabbit ears into the STB converter (another channel Suddenlink cable somehow avoids providing). Usually I can get RF and virtual 13-3 KETA OKC by careful manipulation of the ears (not necessarily the same configuration as other OKC channels, mostly UHF), avoiding breakup caused by the 214.2 MHz second harmonic of KNID 107.1.

But I am also tuning around on the PL-880 handheld with whip only, to check on WRMI (and finding 21525 back on), only to discover that the SW receiver, less than 3 meters away, tuned to the 13m band causes the TV to lose channel 13 signal. Evidently the PL-880 too is putting out a harmonic from IF, enough to QRM the TV as I can correlate by turning the SW off and on.

RF 42, Sept 18 at 1448 UT, barely enough morning tropo to visiblize sporadically KBZC-LD OKC. Keeps changing its lineup of subchannels. Now 42-2 is Tuff TV, with ``creating conservative political talk show``, `Live from Studio 6B`, set up like a radio studio. Program website and Tuff TV +program sked websites won`t finish loading. Finally! A conservative talkshow!

42-1 has a sillyballgame which Rabbitears.info now labels as Stadium; 42-3 still Buzzr; 42-4 GetTV; 42-5 QVC; 42-6 QVC-2; and I didn`t get up to 42-7 to reconfirm Shop LC. NTSC KOCY-LP OKC also barely visible snowy on ch 48 (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN [and non]. 15140, Radio Sultanate Of Oman, Thumrait. September 16, 2017 at 1530 UT. Relaying 90.4 Oman FM, with "Attention" by Charlie Puth playing followed by on air personality Ricky Esquvail giving a shout out to Paul Walker listening in Pennsylvania. S7 signal but severe noise and fading. Short audio clip here: https://goo.gl/UVGRGk (Walker-PA)

ALL INDIA RADIO & RADIO HAVANA CUBA INTERFERENCE COMPLAINT

I lodged a complaint with All India Radio over its 1615 to 1715 UT 15140 kHz Russian service to Eastern Europe. I lodged a complaint of interference to Radio Sultanate Of Oman 15140 with the India Prime Ministers Office, The Telecom Regulatory Authority Of India, The Prasar Bharati Board and All India Radio engineering staff.

The 1615 UT broadcast on 15140 signs on around 1608 with a loud, annoying tone and then starts programming 7 minutes later; the tone by itself under poor conditions is noticeable and painful when listening to Oman. When conditions are good, AIR's programming often overrides Radio Sultanate Of Oman, making it unlistenable.

I urged them to investigate the interference and also aid there is

surely another frequency they could find to use. The CEO of the Prasar Bharati Board already wrote back and has said he's instructed the team to investigate.

I also filed a complaint with Radio Havana Cuba, emailing the station itself, Arnie Coro and a Cuban Embassy. We all know RHC really doesn't care, so I'll figure out where else to go from here with this complain from Cuba because their 15140 at 1800 to 2030 UT usually completely obliterates Radio Sultanate Of Oman.

Am I barking up a pointless tree? Possibly, but if we don`t protect this hobby and the stations we like, then what's the point? (Paul Walker, PA, Sept 17, ABDX via DXLD)

Have you also contacted Radio Sultanate Of Oman? it might be nice for them to know someone wants to listen to their programs enough that they have gone to the effort of getting other stations to stop causing them interference. -- Cheers!

http://www.ve3syb.ca/
|"Nerds make the shiny things that distract the mouth-breathers, and that's why we're powerful!" | --Chris Hardwick Owner of Elecraft K2 #2172 | (Kevin Cozens, ODXA yg via DXLD)

Yup. They know I listen and know I enjoy the station. However they haven't answered my QSL Requests yet, but through Facebook messages and a few phone calls to 90.4 Oman FM, they know I'm out there listening. I will wait another week or so to see what more AIR has to say or what RHC might say before I contact Radio Sultanate Of Oman and the HFCC (Paul, ibid.)

I got a reply from Arnie Coro at Radio Havana Cuba, he has some potentially valid points (I admit, I don't know a lot about ITU/HFCC) but I can only make observations/complaints based upon my listening and what knowledge I do have.

Estimado SeÒor Walker: I have just read your e'mail and will be mailing my reply to it as soon as we finish fixing up all the damages suffered due to hurricane Irma impacting on our eastern and central provinces and also here in Havana where I live.

But before sending my reply, be assured that we have nothing to do with the non official group known as HFCC, We register all our frequencies directly to the International Telecommunications Union, the United Nations agency locate in Geneva, Switzerland.

By reading your mail on a first pass, it is quite evident that you are not familiar with the frequency planning process that is part of the

ITU Radio Rules and Regulations.

Be assured that we only broadcast to properly identified CIRAF ITU Zones, where other stations have not registered their use of those zones.

It seems like, and I would check again that the Oman station has not registered their 15140 broadcast to the areas where we are providing a high quality service, as the reports we receive tell us.

I include your own text regarding Radio Sultanate of Oman, that obviously does not intend to be hard in North America as they are beaming to Western Europe !!!

15140 kHz is the frequency in question. At 1400 UTC 7 days a week, Radio Sultanate of Oman signs on and beams to Western Europe sometimes from 1500 until their 2200 sign off. They generally do an hour of English from 1500 to 1600, switching back to Arabic at 1600 and sometimes they conduct an extended relay of their English programming.

As soon as possible I would reply in greater detail, as we have not received any complaints from the above mentioned station.

Yours truly, Prof. Arnaldo Coro Antich
Senior Advisor to the Cuban Broadcast Authority ICRT, and
Frequency manager for Radio Habana Cuba, Radio Rebelde and Radio Progreso (via Walker, ptsw yg via DXLD)

** PALESTINE [non]. IRAN. 11865. Sat, Sep 16 at 0328-0338, Al Quds TV Audio, Zahedan, in Arabic. Cor`anic chant by chorus and next, a Holy Qur¥an chant orated by muslin cleric; Woman announcer talks, ID. This audio TV relay Zahedan shortwave transmitter has a fair signal and modulation, 35433. (DXer: JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier, Location: Cabedelo-PB, Brazil, Degen DE1103 & Tecsun S-2000, Antenna: Longwire, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** PERU. Woke up early and got on the Winradio G33DDC this AM. I didn't get a valid ID on either of these but they both were receivable with poor audio. Both marked Tentative.

Radio Tarma, (T), 4774.9, Tarma, in Spanish, at 1005, on 18 Sep. A lively song with male singers was playing. This was followed by a male DJ talking and then a song with a female singer played. The DJ came back on and talked about the music. No station ID heard. Poor.

Radio Logos, (T), 4810, Chazuta, in Spanish, at 1025, on 18 Sep. A male announcer is talking along with an YF who spoke briefly. A song

with several male singers played. There is quite a bit of QRM from
OTHR this am therefore I had to use LSB mode. No station ID heard.
Poor (John P. Cooper, Lebanon, PA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 5980, Sept 13 at 2332, JBA carrier from R. Chaski until
autocutoff at 2334:04.5*, which is 53.5 seconds later than last catch
8 nights ago, Sept 5 until 2333:11*, averaging 6.69 seconds later per,
slippage right on ``schedule`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. A new QSL card was received from the Russian edition of
Inter Radio Romania in response to a report dated June 2, 2017. A card
with a new design. Also sent a station sticker. The letter was sent
from Bucharest on 17 August. Unfortunately this means that the Russian
Post destroyed the letters from the station confirming the reports in
March and May 2017. In March and April, the station confirmed that it
would send me the cards after the funding was restored. Card is here
http://freerutube.info/2017/09/12/qsl-radio-romania-international-inter-radio-
rumyiniya-iyun-2017-goda/
(Dmitry Elagin, Saratovskaya oblast, Russia / "deneb-radio-dx", RusDX
17 Sept via DXLD)

** RUSSIA [and non]. Reception of Adygeyan Radio, Sept 15:
1800-1900 on 6000#ARM 100 kW / 188 deg to CeAs Adygeyan Fri, good
#till 1805 on 6000 BEI 100 kW / non-dir to EaAs Chinese CNR1, weak
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-adygeyan-radio-sept15.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. HISTORY OF DX AND RADIO. ===== the data is published as the
material is received. We hope for your participation in the section.

1990 year ---------- (Continuation: The beginning of last issue)

Journal. "Radio Amateur 2/91". The author is Pavel Mikhailov. DX-
editor of the World Service Moscow radio.

But not all of them managed to crush, and on December 6, 1990 (a
historical date!), DXists from all over the country gathered in the
premises of one of the sports clubs of Leningrad to talk about their
hobbies and discuss current problems. The founders of this conference
were the first speakers of the conference A. Osipov and M. Timofeev
from Leningrad. They talked about how about a year ago they managed to
officially declare the "Le-Ningrad ICh Circle", created with the help
of one of the district committees of the Komsomol and with the
technical assistance of the Leningrad amateur radio center
"Interradio", uniting "official" shortwave.

The author of these lines, at the request of the participants of the
conference, acquainted the audience with the work of the World Radio

Moscow Service in Russian (for foreigners who know the Russian language), about the achievements and problems of the Soviet radio in general, about radio-glutenins in the USSR, about the program for fans of long-distance reception "Club DC" [DX?], created at the Moscow Radio in 1989, answered the questions of the conference participants.

One of the founders of the now created "Moscow DX Association", M. Paramonov, spoke about the activities of this public organization, its tasks and difficulties ...

Known around the world, Okhist, journalist of the Belgian Radio F. Fossen [Frans Vossen] warmly congratulated the audience from the first in the history of the Soviet Union amateur conference of the recently hobbled by the authorities of the hobby and wished that in the near future such conferences or rallies would be more animated and "bold". Indeed, the young radio amateurs, who first came together for an in-depth discussion of their problems, initially felt somewhat restrained, but then, getting to know each other more closely and with hospitable hosts, they felt at home.

The main topics discussed at the conference: the long and difficult passage of mail abroad and back; impossibility of legal acquisition in USSR international postal coupons for payment of postal replies of poor foreign radio stations or for the purchase of a variety of literature published for DX-stories; almost complete absence on the radio market of affordable and appropriate radio parameters.

These problems worry the Soviet DX-sources most of all. All the rest can still be somehow solved by ourselves, although there are still very, very many difficulties. One of the problems is DX-information.

In the country there is not yet a single official publication, which would quickly and inexpensively inform the DX-source about what is happening on the broadcasting ranges. As a rule, all existing DX-publications are amateur, reproduced on copiers or printers, which is not cheap. There are practically no programs for DX-talent in the country, except for the program "DX Club" of Moscow Radio (but it goes on air only in the direction of foreign countries and is poorly audible within the USSR), the program "Hello, DX-isty" of the Lithuanian Radio (they are heard only in the European part of the country and in European countries) and the DX program of the radio station Molodezhnaya (Kazakh radio), which, too audible is far from everywhere and far from ideal.

Therefore, at the conference, timid requests were made to ask the All-Union Radio of the USSR to at least repeat the "Club DX" on the waves of internal broadcasting, as part of programs for young people, for example. Let's hope that this material will read the Main the

Directorate of Programs of the All-Union Radio, and its chief director, A. Akhtyrsky, will be imbued with a sense of concern for the needs of Soviet radio listeners.

Permanent author and presenter of the program "Hello, DX-ists!" Lithuanian radio S. Zhilenis [Zilionis?] told about how his transfer is being prepared, and the author of these lines could only envy simplicity, expediency and minimum formalities on the Lithuanian radio: This is completely incomparable with what it takes daily collide on the Moscow radio, where, according to the law, "there is no censorship," but it nevertheless exists, because in Moscow the famous decree of the President of the USSR "On further democratization and development Soviet TV and radio broadcasting" is carried out with obvious, in my opinion, exceeding the requirements set forth in this document.

In particular, in the DX-programs of the Lithuanian radio, you can say anything, if you want, this is interesting for fans of long-distance reception, you can freely express your personal point of view. We have this forbidden, which affects the content of the broadcasts of the Moscow Radio.

Participants in the DX conference found out that only in 1989 the USSR Ministry of Communications (after the cancellation of radio emanation) officially abolished the previously imposed ban on the production of radio-receivers with wave bands shorter than 25 meters. By truncating HF ranges of domestic receivers intended for the domestic market, the Ministry of Communications facilitated "black work" for the suppression of foreign broadcasting. Now the industry can produce receivers with any set of waves. It's just not known when this will happen, since now it is necessary to revise the GOST on household radio receiving equipment, without which no plant will do anything.

In addition to an exchange of views and speeches, the participants of the First DX Conference of the USSR visited the Leningrad Radio and Radio and Television Broadcasting Station, where they saw with their own eyes how they were preparing radio programs and who broadcasts them. I believe that these visits were one of the most interesting events in the framework of the conference.

Our kind hosts (I'll tell about them yet) organized also a sightseeing tour of Leningrad and a visit to the State Hermitage, which allowed even closer and deeper acquaintance with the kind and hospitable city of Petrov.

The participants of the conference (except for the Leningraders) lived in the Sovetskaya Hotel and all together they chatted in her restaurant. For breakfasts and dinners got an impromptu continuation

of our daily discussions. AND this is natural, because the radio amateur in all circumstances remains true to his hobby!

They drove off on 9 December. Saying goodbye, Leningrad decided to finally powder the DX-source with the first snowball ...

In conclusion, I can not but say a few warm words about those who helped to organize and conduct this, as already noted, a truly historic event. So, work on receiving, placing, providing transport participants with the transport, organizing excursions and pro-
The creation of a good working mood was made by: Leningrad Amateur Radio Center "INTERRADIO", Joint Venture "Sor-Tavalatour" (Karelia), Voluntary Physical-the sports society of Leningrad and the production cooperative "REAL" (Leningrad), headed by its chairman A. Bogomaz, who expressed his readiness to sponsor the conference. (By the way, "REAL" builds and mounts, in particular, antenna structures in the USSR and abroad).

And now the conference is over. We sat down before leaving for a minute and thought .... What can I say? The first step is made, and this is very important. We personally met and became friends for these incomplete four days of stay in Leningrad. But - new contacts, new friends, new information, new ideas.

"The first pancake." No, not "lumpy". Although there were "lumps" in it, but it's normal - after all, for the first time! Legally! And, honestly, this pancake seemed to us very, very delicious ...
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The pennant of one of the sponsors of the DX conference is "New Wave". You can see it here -
http://rusdx.blogspot.ru/2017/09/blog-post_9.html
(Anatoly Klepov, Moscow, Russia, Rus-DX Sept 17 via DXLD)

** RWANDA [non]. GERMANY, Radio Itahuka via MBR Talata-Volonondry on Sept 16
1800-1900 15420 MDC 250 kW / 320 deg SoAf Kirundi [sic] Sat, fair
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-radio-itahuka-via-mbr_16.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16 via DXLD) OR RWANDA?

This was misplaced again in 17-37 under BURUNDI [non] because Ivo keeps specifying the language as Kirundi instead of Kinyarwanda, but does not specify target countries of clandestines. Furthermore neither Rwanda nor Burundi is in southern Africa (gh, DXLD)

** SAUDI ARABIA. Al-Azm Radio is a new Saudi Broadcasting Corporation service for troops in the southern part of the Kingdom on the following frequencies: MW 549 and 747 kHz and FM 94.9, 99.0, 107.0 MHz

and SW 11745 kHz as follows

0700-1700 11745 JEDDAH/RIYADH ??? kW N/ME Arabic, good/fair, Sept 12:
1700-2000 11745 JEDDAH/RIYADH ??? kW N/ME dead air/test tone, Sept 11
Thanks to Tarek Zeidan, Mauno Ritola, David Kernick to identify the station
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/al-azm-radio-is-new-saudi-broadcasting.html

Reception of BSKSA Al-Azm Radio, Sept 16
0700-1700 on 11745 JED or RIY tx ??? kW to N/ME Arabic:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-bsksa-al-azm-radio-sept16.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16 via DXLD)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 17895, Sept 14 at 1416, BSKSA with Qur`an at S9-S7 // 17615 at S7-S5, and the other non-Qur`an Arabic program on 17705, S9-S7. Best heard in a long time on 16 m, equinoxial propagation looking up? Easily the SSOBs, way more signals than uprunners 17775 KVOH, 17730 RHC (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SEYCHELLES [non]. Reception of FEBA Radio via BaBcoCk Al-Dhabayya on Sept 13
1200-1230 on 15215.2 DHA 250 kW / 085 deg to CeAs Tibetan, good signal
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-feba-radio-via-babcock-al.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 13 via DXLD)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 9545, SIBC, 0431-0457*, Sept 15. DJ in Pijin; pop Pacific Islands songs; 0456 DJ IDs singer, song title (Justin Wellington with song "Iko Iko") and local time check ("Time now is 4 minutes away from 4"); Honiara sunset to be at 6:16 PM SBT (0716 UT); seems to be on a timer, as once again cut off at 0457*; reception nicely above the norm, even with QRM (static).
http://goo.gl/fubEM6
- my audio of Justin Wellington singing "Iko Iko" (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALILAND [non]. Voice of the People of Somaliland via BaBcoCk Talata, Sept 15
1900-1930 7325 MDC 250 kW / 355 deg to EaAf Somali, fair/good signal
QRM 7320 ERV 100 kW / 125 deg to WeAs Kurdish Denge Kurdistan
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/voice-of-people-of-somaliland-via.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

Reception of Voice of the People of Somaliland, Sept 19

1900-1930 on 7325 MDC 250 kW / 355 deg to EaAf Somali, good signal
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-voice-of-people-of_19.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 19 via DXLD)

** SPAIN. Radio Exterior de EspaÒa lleva cerca de un mes sin seÒal para AmÈrica del Norte en 17855 y ahora se suma la frecuencia de 17715, para AmÈrica del Sur. En este momento, 1830 UT, sÛlo hay seÒal en 15390, para ¡frica Occidental y Atl·ntico Sur y 15520 kHz, para OcÈano Indico, Oriente Medio y Gran Sol (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, EspaÒa, 1836 UT Sept 13, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

REE with transmitter problems? Now, 1930-1950 UT, no signal of REE on 17715 and 17855 kHz. On-air 15520, football transmission game, 45433. (Jota Xavier, Brasil, Receiver: Tecsun S-2000, Antenna: Longwire, Sept 14, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

Yes, REE has problems with two TX units - of four - since at least a week ago - or so. On Tue and Wed live transmission of European Champions League live soccer games also broadcast via both 15390 and 15520 kHz only. Tonight had transmission of Villareal vv Astana Kazakhstan game of European League event. And now at present Hertha Berlin Germany vv Athletico Bilbao game and Real Sociedad vv Trondheim Norway.

Both REE Noblejas at S=9+35dB level tonight here in Germany, but 15390 kHz transmitter has severe audio distortion problems: S=9+35dB on broadband 15372 to 15408 kHz !! on the edges even S=5-6 signal strong.

15520 kHz has excellent audio signal of 10.6 kHz wideband. 73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, 2046 UT Sept 14, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ESPA—A, Radio Exterior de EspaÒa fuera del aire en todas sus frecuencias al inicio de la programaciÛn hoy, 1357-1412, 16-09. (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, EspaÒa, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

Radio Exterior de EspaÒa, no signal on all four frequencies
1400-1800 on 15520 NOB 200 kW / 110 deg to N/ME Spanish Sat, Sept 16
1400-1800 on 17715 NOB 200 kW / 230 deg to SoAm Spanish Sat, Sept 16
1400-1800 on 17855 NOB 200 kW / 290 deg to ENAm Spanish Sat, Sept 16
1400-1800 on 21620 NOB 200 kW / 161 deg to WCAf Spanish Sat, Sept 16
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16 via DXLD)

** SPAIN [non]. 21620, 17855, 17715, 15520, 15390, Sat Sept 16 at 1730, no signals on any of the REE frequencies, as Manuel MÈndez, Spain, had noted earlier shortly after their scheduled *1400. Still nothing at 1831 (when 17640 MWV Madagascar English is inbooming). 17855 had been off for weeks, and one or two of the others sporadically, but now, nothing! And on a deportive Saturday, to boot,

tsk2 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

REE fuera del aire --- ESPA—A, Radio Exterior de EspaÒa. Por segundo dÌa consecutivo, radio Exterior contin˙a inactiva en todas sus frecuencias. Esperemos que no se trate de un nuevo intento de dejar la onda corta, como hace unos aÒos.

Todo aquel que quiera participarles que no recibe a Radio Exterior, pueden hacerlo en esta direcciÛn de correo electrÛnico, a la que suelen contestar: secretariatecnica.ree@rtve.es Saludos (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, EspaÒa, 1637 UT Sunday Sept 17, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Exterior de EspaÒa. Participan de la emisora que el no haber transmitido durante el fin de semana se debiÛ a un averÌa en el transformador de la red elÈctrica, y que el fallo ya est· subsanado, asÌ como que ya repararon el transmisor que no emitÌa, o sea, el que emite en 17855 kHz. A ver si, hoy, al inicio tenemos todas las frecuencias en el aire. Un saludo (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, EspaÒa, 1716 UT Sept 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ESPA—A, Radio Exterior de EspaÒa, por fin hoy seÒal en todas las frecuencias. Al inicio de la transmisiÛn, moderada en 17715 y 15520 y baja en 17855 y 15390 (MÈndez, 1806 UT Sept 18, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENIING DIGEST)

SPAIN all REE Noblejas SW TX on air again at 1820 UT, but the 15390 kHz unit has mal distorted audio quality as usual:
15520 1820 UT S=9+20dB, Policia Espagnola...
15390 1825 UT S=9-10dB, distorted audio
17715 1830 UT S=9+10dB
17855 1835 UT S=9+5dB
heard in Liverpool England, in western Hungary and southern Germany tonight Sept 18. 73 wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

17855, Mon Sept 18 at 1922, REE finally reactivated on its North American frequency, VG with deportes in Castilian; first checked on the DX-375 portable, where 17715 for South America is almost as strong, 15520 also good, but 15390 too weak to tell. At 2050 back on the homerig R75, all four are audible including 15390 which is worst; 17715 S9+10 and 17855 S9+20. Manuel MÈndez reported that no signals on Sat and Sun were because of a transformer failure, but meanwhile they had repaired 17855 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. 15430, Sept 13 at 1408, fair signal with flutter, DW ID in passing, SW Asian language. HFCC shows Pashto, 125 kW, 335 degrees via Trincomalee. Not much else is propagating from outside NAm on 19m,

nor did I have enough signal from 15505 Bangladesh to detect its mis-
timesignal circa 1400 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. Good reception of SLBC in presumed Hindi on 11905 kHz
between about 0115 and 0230 UT today (14 September) using the U.
Twente receiver. This isn't the case every day. Very pleasant program
of south Asian music. Recorded automatically. Timings (UTC) based on
the U. Twente file name and audio digitization (not the most accurate
measures):
0114:32 Transmitter on
0114:42 Audio start
0115:06 Time signal [close match to gh timing]
0231:53 Transmitter off
(-- Richard Langley, NB, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [non]. Radio Dabanga
1530-1600 on 15150 MDC 250 kW / 340 deg to EaAf Juba Arabic
1530-1600 on 15550 SMG 250 kW / 150 deg to EaAf Juba Arabic
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-radio-tamazuj-radio.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #1029 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Sept 19,
2017, via DXLD)

All too standard remark that Tamazuj may be in Juba Arabic for the
South, but not Dabanga, for the West and the rest. Also the target
countries are different, not all ``SUDAN`` (gh, DXLD)

** SUDAN SOUTH [non]. Reception of R. Tamazuj & Radio Dabanga, Sept 12
Radio Tamazuj
1430-1500 on 15150 ISS 250 kW / 138 deg to EaAf Juba Arabic
1430-1500 on 15550 SMG 250 kW / 150 deg to EaAf Juba Arabic
1500-1530 on 15150 MDC 250 kW / 340 deg to EaAf Juba Arabic
1500-1530 on 15550 SMG 250 kW / 150 deg to EaAf Juba Arabic
(DX RE MIX NEWS #1029 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Sept 19,
2017, via DXLD)

** SURINAME. 4990, 0634, Radio Apintie with weak signals 5/8,
improving to poor by 0940. Non-stop musical variety including some
Indonesian songs until after 0928 when lively spoken features included
male in Dutch. Followed till 0950 when China on high side of 4990
started to come through. Apintie carrier often noted on 4989.983 but
audio is rarely heard (Bryan Clark, Mangawhai, Northland, North
Island, New Zealand, WinRadio G33DDC and AOR7030+ receivers, EWEs to
Nth, Cent & Sth America, Sept NZ DX Times via DXLD)

** SWAZILAND. Reception of Trans World Radio Africa on Sept 12
1400-1415 on 15360 MAN 100 kW / 043 deg to SoAs Urdu, good
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2017/09/reception-of-trans-world-radio-
africa_12.html

Trans World Radio Africa via Manzini, Sept 16:
1905-1935 on 9940 MAN 100 kW / 343 deg to CeAf Lingala
1935-1950 on 9940 MAN 100 kW / 343 deg to CeAf French
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-trans-world-radio-africa_16.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #1029 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Sept 19, 2017, via DXLD)

** SYRIA. Members, Yesterday I was very pleased [sic] to hear that the armed forces have come close to fully liberating Deir az Zour from occupation by Da'esh.

This should mean that over the next months, 828 kHz will reactivate. I was warned by Rawad Hamwi through WRTH Facebook that 2 of the 4 masts at 35 23 56N, 40 05 01E are in need of replacement. Ensuring that the city has a stable electricity supply could further delay a restart. I also found from Rawad the good news that already Homs on 936 kHz is back on air. This is confirmed by announcements from the station listing 936 kHz.

Overall the impression is that despite the war, and partly because the war is being "won", an increasing number of AM sites in that country are coming back on air. 73 and 88 (Dan Goldfarb, Sept 17, mwmasts yg via DXLD)

** TAIWAN. 7445, RTI at 1100. OC a cupla minutes before the hour to open with W in English, news. Pop music program at 1140, W host. Fair, Good on peaks, Sept 18 (Rick Barton, AZ, Times/Dates Zulu. Assume English unless otherwise stated. Logged with RS SW-2000629 or Grundig Satellit 750 and various outdoor wires. 73 and Good Listening.....! dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN [and non]. Re: BBG - FY2018 Congressional Budget Justification

> "...what can that be I wonder (a reference to those mini txs in TWN?) ñ [ref SOH]

> Office of Technology, Services and Innovation (TSI) will fund an additional $597k for "Seagull Transmitter & Sound of Hope"

I think "Seagull" is indeed the codename for the set of numerous low power transmitters (a two-digit number, I understand) that is in use simultaneously, in order to occupy more frequencies than China can jam.

I find in my files that Sei-ichi Hasegawa reported in spring 2014 a

relay of Radio Free Asia between 0000 and 1400 UT. So it obviously is indeed the Falun Gong "Sound of Hope" that BBG co-funds.

Back in 2013 there had been a harsh controversy between the Falun Gong media and Taiwan over the closure of the Huwei and Tainan stations:

http://www.theepochtimes.com/n3/24271-independent-radio-broadcasters-at-peril-in-taiwan/
http://www.theepochtimes.com/n3/145286-taiwan-tears-down-antennae-carrying-uncensored-news-to-china/

This has also been picked up in Washington. You may try to search for "three US congressmen ask Ma to save radio towers", right now I can not find a working link.

This in turn forced the representation of Taiwan in Washington to issue an official repulsion (you may try "TECRO clarifies misleading allegations"), explaining that these two sites will be replaced by additional transmitters at Tanshui and the completely new Paochung station, further stating that they repeatedly supported the interests of SOH und thus deeply regret the misleading accusations.

Here's an opinion about Falun Gong media; I think it needs no knowledge of German to get the gist:
http://meedia.de/2016/03/18/kopp-sputnik-epoch-times-co-nachrichten-aus-einem-rechten-paralleluniversum/

An interesting partner for BBG. But in fact fitting now, for an organization about to be led by a buddy of Stephen Bannon, with one division (MBN) already having a director who came from an organization considered by critics as plain propaganda venture (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Sept 16, shortwavesites yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD) See also U S A

Fair to good signal of SOH Xi Wang Zhi Sheng, Sept 12
1130 & 1200 on 15775 unknown tx kW / unknown to EaAs Cantonese
1130 & 1200 on 15800 unknown tx kW / unknown to EaAs Chinese
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/fair-to-good-signal-of-sound-of-hope-xi.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #1029 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Sept 19, 2017, via DXLD)

** TAJIKISTAN. Weak signal of Voice of Tajik on Sept 19:
1300-1400 on 7245 DB 100 kW / non-dir to CeAs English
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/weak-signal-of-voice-of-tajik-on-sept19.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 19 via DXLD)

** TIBET [non]. 15528, Sept 13 at 1340, JBA carrier, presumed Voice of Tibet via TAJIKISTAN on characteristic split.

11512, Sept 17 at 1307, JBA carrier, presumed V. of Tibet via TAJIKISTAN on signature split frequency (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TONGA. According to RNZ International on 4 July, the Tongan Government proposes selling off 49% of the Tonga Broadcasting Commission to private ownership. Reports from Tonga indicate this is the result of a political feud between TBC and the Government, as TBC would not take direction from the Prime Minister (Bryan Clark, NZDXT via DXWW-II, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 16 via DXLD)

** TURKEY. Voice of Turkey Missing --- The 2200 UT broadcast from VOT did not come on 9830 as scheduled. At 2217 there is still no signal. At 2221 the VOT came on the air with the Question of the month music playing followed by an Station ID then instrumental intro with a male singing a song (J. Cooper, Lebanon, PA, Sept 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U A E. TWR Africa via BaBcoCk damaged tx Al-Dhabayya on Sept 16 1300-1315 on 17680*DHA 250 kW / 230 deg to EaAf Afar Thu-Sun, strong *same damaged transmitter is used for transmission of Deutsche Welle 1330-1430 on 13725 DHA 250 kW / 045 deg to WeAs Daily Dari & Pashto. http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/twr-africa-via-babcock-damaged-tx-al.html -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16 via DXLD)

** U K. BBC WORLD SERVICE CONTINUES EXPANSION WITH NEW SERVICES FOR ETHIOPIA AND ERITREA
Date: 18.09.2017 Last updated: 18.09.2017 at 10.30
http://www.bbc.co.uk/mediacentre/latestnews/2017/world-service-ethiopia-eritrea

Three new language services for Ethiopia, Eritrea, and the diaspora are being launched today [18 September 2017] by the BBC World Service as part of its biggest expansion since the 1940s.

BBC News in Amharic, Afaan Oromo and Tigrinya will be available online and on Facebook. This will be followed later in the year with shortwave radio services in each language consisting of a 15-minute news and current affairs programme, followed by a 5-minute Learning English programme, from Monday to Friday.

The new BBC services will provide impartial news, current affairs and analysis of Ethiopia and Eritrea as well as regional and international news. Boosting the BBCís operation in the Horn of Africa will also provide the rest of the BBCís global audience with a better understanding of Ethiopia and Eritrea.

Programmes will target a younger audience with social media playing a key role. In addition to news and current affairs, there will be extensive coverage of culture, entertainment, entrepreneurship, science & technology, health and sport - including the English Premier League.

These services will benefit from a growing network of journalists across the region and around the world.

Francesca Unsworth, BBC World Service Director, says: ìThe BBC World Service brings independent, impartial news to audiences around the world, especially in places where media freedom is limited. Iím delighted weíre extending our service to millions of people in Ethiopia, Eritrea and the diaspora worldwide.î

Will Ross, Editorial Lead for Africa, says: ìWe know that there is a great deal of hunger for audiences in Ethiopia and Eritrea to access a broad range of high quality content in Amharic, Afaan Oromo and Tigrinya. It has been a privilege to work with Ethiopian and Eritrean journalists who are so keen to learn new skills and to ensure the new language services are a success.î (via Dr Hansjoerg Biener 18 September 2017, DXLD)

** U K [non]. 7305, Sept 14 at 0544, BBC Hausa at S9, keeps mentioning Nigeria. Current 250 kW daily usage by BBC of 7305 per HFCC:
0330-0430 Farsi 35 degrees from UAE, since 26 March
0430-0500 French 85 degrees from Ascension, since 13 July
0529-0600 Hausa 55 degrees from Ascension, since 13 July
0600-0629 French 70 degrees from Ascension, since 16 August
0629-0700 Hausa 55 degrees from Ascension, since 16 August
The different angle for French in between Hausas is accomplished by a 15 degree shift in the slew, so maybe no break in transmission (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K [non]. Reception of BBC via BaBcoCk Kranji & Tashkent, Sept.15
1330-1415 on 7485 SNG 250 kW / 340 deh to SEAs Burmese Daily, fair
1330-1415 on 9585 SNG 250 kW / 340 deg to SEAs Burmese Daily, good
1330-1415 on 11995 TAC 100 kW / 122 deg to SEAs Burmese Daily, weak
1415-1500 on 7485 SNG 250 kW / 340 deg to SEAs Burmese Mo-Fr, good
1415-1500 on 11995 SNG 250 kW / 340 deg to SEAs Burmese Mo-Fr, fair
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-bbc-via-babcock-kranji_15.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via DXLD)

** U S A. 7245-LSB, Sept 18 at 1239, Navy Club Net with KK6BS (``Battle-Ship``) in Gainesville FL about getting back to normal. Joseph C. Folsom (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. VOA MEDIUMWAVE STATIONS IN THE FLORIDA KEYS - 2

On a previous occasion here in Wavescan, we presented the story of the short term VOA mediumwave relay station that was established on Garden Island in the cluster of keys known as the Dry Tortugas, in the chain of small islands known as the Florida Keys. This station was subsequently reinstalled on Sugarloaf Key. The 50 kW transmitter for this station came from the mediumwave broadcast station WBAL in Baltimore Maryland, and it operated in the Florida Keys under VOA on 1040 kHz from 1962 to 1966.

Over a period of time, there were two other radio transmitters in the Dry Tortugas Islands and these were installed on Garden Island and Loggerhead Key. The seven keys and associated islets and rocks in the Dry Tortugas are these days clustered together into a United States National Park at the western end of the Florida Keys.

Wireless station RF was installed in Fort Jefferson on Garden Island in 1902, and it was in use for just seven years. The reason for its closure was the difficulty in providing logistical support for personnel serving on the isolated Garden Key, and also the cost of providing all of this necessary support.

There was another radio station in the Dry Tortugas, and this was installed in the Radio Room at the base of the Dry Tortugas Lighthouse on Loggerhead Key, three miles west of Fort Jefferson. The Dry Tortugas Lighthouse on Loggerhead Key stood 150 ft tall and its light could be seen 35 miles distant.

The first radiobeacon in Florida, as a wireless guide for passing shipping, was established on Loggerhead Key on December 21, 1927. A small communication transmitter was installed in the Radio Room at the lighthouse and this was on the air on 3410 kHz under the callsign WST.

Another VOA mediumwave relay station was installed on Sisterís Creek Island in Marathon Key and it was taken into regular service on November 12, 1962. This VOA station was made up of three transportable vans with a three tower antenna array, and the normal operating frequency of its 50 kW transmitter was 1180 kHz. However, during the Cuban Missile Crisis in the previous month of October, this station was temporarily on the air on 1040 kHz, the same channel as the other VOA station on Garden Island.

During the year 1982, the United States navy constructed another 50 kW medium radio station with four antenna towers at its communication center on Saddlebunch Key. Seven years later, during a massive rebuilding of the VOA station on Sisterís Island-Marathon Key, the

Saddlebunch station took over the regular VOA-Radio Marti programming that was beamed to Cuba.

During the Cuban crisis, which was precipitated by the collapse of the Soviet Union two years later in 1991, approval was granted for the usage of the full power output of 100 kW from VOA Marathon. The output from the twin 50 kW Continental transmitters was combined to provide the power level of 100 kW.

A new transmitter complement at 100 kW was installed in 2008, and during the following year new antenna towers were erected.

In our two part series on the mediumwave VOA relay stations in the Florida Keys, we have presented the story of four different stations. These have been:-

	kW	kHz		
Garden Key	50	1040	1962 Oct till 1962 Dec	WBAL transmitter
Sugarloaf Key	50	1040	1963-Jan 1966	WBAL transmitter
Marathon Key	50	1180	1962-Nov 1989	
Sisterís Creek Island	100	1180	1996-2017	Rebuilt station
Saddlebunch Key	50	1180	1989-1996	Marathon rebuild

(Adrian M Peterson, IN, script for AWR Wavescan Sept 10 via DXLD)

** U S A. BBG - FY2018 Congressional Budget Justification

My thanks to one of our Shortwavesites YG members for referring me to the following document:
https://www.bbg.gov/wp-content/media/2017/05/FY2018Budget_CBJ_05-23-17.pdf

RFA relays via Voice of Hope, combined a mention of an ominous "Seagull Transmitter" - what can that be I wonder? see pg. 66. Anyone care to speculate or have any info? Bill?

Also I personally noted the following: (as extracted below)

LEVERAGING STRATEGIC LOCATION AND LOW COSTS OF KUWAIT STATION:

Because of the superior strategic location and extremely low operating costs of the Kuwait Transmitting Station, in FY 2016 TSI began expanding that facility to provide transmission to places where shortwave remains important.

Installation of one additional antenna began in FY 2017. Installation of three other transmitters and procurement of required antennas will continue in FY 2017 into FY 2018. This will complete the build out of the station to the full transmitter capacity allowed by the current agreement with the Government of Kuwait, allowing BBG to serve virtually all legacy SW audiences in the most cost-effective manner

possible.

FY 2017 AND FY 2018 INITIATIVES

BCI investment funds will be used to continue the planned reconfiguration and expansion of the shortwave broadcast infrastructure at the Kuwait Transmitting Station. This will allow BBG to enhance transmission to multiple regions, including Africa, and achieve cost savings for shortwave broadcasts.

Because of the very low cost of electrical power in Kuwait, the Kuwait Transmitting Station is the least expensive IBB station to operate. This project will allow the agency to shift mission-critical but higher cost transmissions from other stations in the IBB network to Kuwait.

ALSO:

The BBG made progress in improving its transmission capability. Major improvements to the shortwave transmission capability of the Kuwait Transmitting Station are in process, which will provide increased transmission capability to Iran, Central Asia, and Africa at very economical cost.

These areas are of strategic importance and still have notable shortwave audiences. BBG ceased all transmissions from the Sri Lanka station in June 2016 and optimized the remaining network to focus shortwave transmissions where they are still effective. END
(via Ian, shortwavesites yg Sept 12 via DXLD)

[continued from TAIWAN] Hi Kai & all, Yes seemingly. Further notes from a couple of the Shortwavesites YG members:

"...what can that be I wonder (a reference to those mini txs in TWN?) ñ [ref SOH]

Office of Technology, Services and Innovation (TSI) will fund an additional $597k for "Seagull Transmitter & Sound of Hope"

I am wondering if Seagull Transmitter might in fact refer to a aircraft transmitter to broadcast RFA or SOH programming to a target audience? The US has funded & performed aerial BCB transmissions previously. Or maybe it's something like this:
http://radioseagull.com/schedule/
[Netherlands webcaster]

Specifically "seagull transmitter" could be 'BBG code' for offshore ship broadcasting?

And it's already in the FY 2017 budget: "less Seagull transmitter" on pg.137 where they indicate that they used this "thing" as early as 2015:
https://www.bbg.gov/wp-content/media/2011/12/FY-2017-Budget-Submission.pdf
(Ian, Sept 13, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, ibid.)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 1895 monitoring: Wed Sept 13 at 2119, WBCQ 7490.04v-AM is still playing last week`s 1894. JBA signal so I have to strain to hear it for 5 minutes before recognizing Romania, Sikkim items from last week.

So real first SW broadcast of 1895 is confirmed Wed Sept 13 at 2330 on WBCQ 9330.03v-CUSB, fair S6-S8. WRMI power restored already Sept 13, not including internet access yet, but we have until Sat 2300 to get WOR 1895 to Okeechobee before they will need it. Next:

Thu 2330	WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Fri 2330	WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sat 0630	HLR 6190-CUSB to WSW
Sat 1431	HLR 7265-CUSB to WSW
Sat 1930v	WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sat 2230	WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sat 2300	WRMI 11580 to NE
Sun 0200	WRMI 11580 to NE
Sun 0315v	WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sun 1030	HLR 9485-CUSB to WSW
Sun 2330	WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0300v	WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0330	WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330	WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 0030	WRMI 7730 to WNW

WORLD OF RADIO 1895 monitoring: confirmed Thu Sept 14 at 2330 on WBCQ 9329.95v-CUSB, fair. Next:

Fri 2330	WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sat 0630	HLR 6190-CUSB to WSW
Sat 1431	HLR 7265-CUSB to WSW
Sat 1930v	WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sat 2230	WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sat 2300	WRMI 11580 to NE
Sun 0200	WRMI 11580 to NE
Sun 0315v	WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sun 1030	HLR 9485-CUSB to WSW
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Mon 0330	WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330	WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 0030	WRMI 7730 to WNW

WORLD OF RADIO 1895 monitoring: confirmed Friday Sept 15 at 2333 on WBCQ, 9330.03v-CUSB, fair.

NOT confirmed Saturday Sept 16 at 1431 on Hamburger Lokalradio, 7265-CUSB. Monitored via UTwente from 1419 when Media Network Plus is scheduled; I can barely make out some talk and music; cannot recognize Keith or me with propagation before 1430. After 1431 still no WOR detectable, with more ACI from both sides rather than HLR. 1445 it`s a YL voice, music, certainly not WOR; 1500 weak but clear timesignal, CRI theme. Scheduled is CRI via Kashgar, East Turkistan, in Sinhala at 1400, Hindi at 1500 on same 100 kW, 174 degree beams. Maybe HLR is really on, but as too often, ceding 7265 to CRI even in the Netherlands. No confirmation yet from anyone in Europe for 7265, but the earlier 0630 UT Saturday HLR airing on 6190-CUSB is confirmed by Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria:

GERMANY, Poor signal of HLR relays on 6190-CUSB, Sept 16
World of Radio #1895
0630-0700 on 6190 GOH 001 kW / 230 deg to CeEu English Sat
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/poor-signal-of-hlr-relays-on-6190cusb.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16 via DXLD)

6190, Hamburger LokalRadio, Gohren, *'0600-0700, 16-09, English, ID, comments, at 0630 Glenn Hauser's program "World of Radio". Very weak. 15321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, dxldyg via DXLD)

Also confirmed before 2300 the Sat 2230 on WBCQ 9330.0v-CUSB, fair; and at 2300 Sat September 16 on WRMI 11580, VG. Next:

Sun 0200	WRMI 11580 to NE
Sun 0315v	WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sun 1030	HLR 9485-CUSB to WSW
Sun 2330	WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0300v	WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0330	WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330	WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 0030	WRMI 7730 to WNW

WORLD OF RADIO 1895 monitoring: altho UTwente and I could not hear HLR 7265 Sept 16, the reliable Alan Gale further in the UK replies, ``Hi Glenn, You were on 7265 kHz at 1430 UT today, but even here the signal was very poor and faded out after the first 10 minutes or so. Apart from a short period during Radio Tropical when the signal came up, it was generally very bad during most of today's broadcast. It must just be skywave length as Channel 292 on 6070 kHz was audible right throughout that period without any difficulty. Alan``

Confirmed here UT Sunday September 17 at 0200 on WRMI, reactivated 11580, fair but with CubaRM! See CUBA. Also confirmed UT Sun Sept 17 at 0321 on WA0RCR, 1860-AM, MO, good about 7 minutes into, so started circa 0314. No confirmation yet of the Sun 1030 on HLR 9485-CUSB.
Next:
Sun 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0300v WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0330 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 0030 WRMI 7730 to WNW
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

GERMANY, Weak signal of HLR relays on 9485-CUSB, Sept 17
World of Radio #1895
1030-1100 on 9485 GOH 001 kW / 230 deg to CeEu English Sun
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/weak-signal-of-hlr-relays-on-9485cusb_17.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 17 via DXLD)

WORLD OF RADIO 1895 monitoring: confirmed Sunday September 17 at 2346 the 2330 on WBCQ, 9329.95v-CUSB, fair. Also confirmed UT Monday September 18 at 0304 on WBCQ, 5130.240-AM, VP in noise level (and 3250 not on // like it was during AWWW UT Sat). Also confirmed after 0330 on WRMI webcast, and presumably 9555. Next:
Mon 2330 WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 0030 WRMI 7730 to WNW [but still not restored as of Sept 18]

WORLD OF RADIO 1895 monitoring: confirmed Monday Sept 18 after 2330 on WBCQ, 9330.0v-CUSB, poor. Final airing UT Tue Sept 19 at 0030 is still missing with the WRMI 7730 transmitter off.

WORLD OF RADIO 1896 contents: Anguilla, Armenia, Australia, Bhutan, Bougainville, Brazil, Burundi non, China, Cuba and non, East Turkistan, Ethiopia, Fiji, France, Germany, Greece, Indonesia, International Waters non, Korea South, Kurdistan non, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Madagascar, Myanmar, North America, Solomon Islands, Somaliland non, Spain, Taiwan, USA, unidentified, publications --- and the propagation outlook

WORLD OF RADIO 1896 monitoring: confirmed first SW broadcast, less than one semihour after completed, Tuesday September 19 at 2130 on WRMI 9455, fair. Fortunately this broadcast had been on two frequencies, so still audible despite // 15770 not yet restored. Also confirmed Tue Sept 19 at 2330 on WBCQ, 9329.970v-CUSB, fair S8 with some deep fades. Next:
Wed 1030 WRMI 5850 to NW, 9455 to WNW
Wed 1315 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v-AM to WSW

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Wed 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Thu 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Fri 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sat 0630   HLR  6190-CUSB to WSW
Sat 1431   HLR  7265-CUSB to WSW
Sat 1930v  WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sat 2230   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Sat 2300   WRMI 11580 to NE
Sun 0200   WRMI 11580 to NE
Sun 0315v  WA0RCR 1860-AM ND
Sun 1030   HLR  9485-CUSB to WSW
Sun 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Mon 0300v  WBCQ 5130v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0330   WRMI 9955 to SSE
Mon 2330   WBCQ 9330v-CUSB to WSW
Tue 0030   WRMI 7730 to WNW
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(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. We have 9395 kHz on the air at very low power on generator. Will be 24 hours a day. Would appreciate reports (Jeff White, WRMI, 2327 UT September 12, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Very weak but (barely) readable in SW Michigan. About -85dBm (noise floor is -92dBm) off the end of an E/W facing 20-17-10M fan dipole. RSP2 / SDRUno. Paul WA9PUL (Paul Goelz, Rochester Hills, MI, www.pgoelz.com, 0042 UT Sept 13, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Barely audible in Kalamazoo, Michigan, but I have a S9 noise floor on 31 meters (I can only hear in in USB mode). Checking some of the KiwiSDRs:

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Concord, NH:      S3 with deep fades to inaudibility
Burke, VA:        carrier trace only
Parker, TX:       carrier trace only
South Dennis, MA: carrier trace only
Elida, OH:        S7, listenable
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73, (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan USA, Icom R75 with PAÿRDT active whip, 0104 UT Sept 13, ibid.)

Took the Tecsun PL-880 portable out on the back deck with a 25-foot Sangean "reel" wire antenna strung horizontally just a few feet off the ground. This combination suffers much less from the RFI afflicting the active whip in this frequency range here. RAE programming on 9395 kHz was almost at listenable level, the 880's offbeat signal meter averaging 30 dBµ for WRMI with no receiver attenuation selected. By way of comparison, R·dio Clube do Par· in Brazil on 4885 kHz was at a similar level. Don't know if this is helpful, but there you go. 73, (Andy Robins, Kalamazoo, Michigan USA, 0122 UT Sept 13, ibid.)

Also went outside with my PL-880 with a 7-metre reel antenna here in NB around 0300 UT. Just barely audible at times but then dropping below the noise level, so less than 10 dBu. In comparison, BBC WS from Al Seela on 9440 kHz coming in at greater than 20 dBu. Radio Nacional de Angola on 4950 kHz and R. Clube do Para on 4885 kHz both with 30 dBu signals. When switching to SSB at about 0315 UT, no carrier detected on 9395 kHz. Power is 100 watts with an exciter according to Jeff's posting on FB (-- Richard Langley, ibid.)

[still re 9395:] carrier and extremely weak (not understandable) audio detected this [morning just before 1100 UT even with a noise floor of a few dBu. Likely would do better here with a 44 beam rather than the 355 beam, which I presume they are using (Richard Langley, Sept 13, ibid.)

9395, Sept 13 at 0557, WRMI still on only here with Oldies at S6-S5. In a FB reply, Jeff said only 100 watts on exciter.

9395, Sept 13 at 1305, music, 1307 familiar ad, but 1309 music and still music at 1334 so not `The Power Hour`. WRMI still doesn`t have internet restored which is how much programming arrives. Satellite dishes might also be askew. At 1410, again music not // VP 13845 WWCR with `TPH`.

9455, Sept 13 at 2331, WRMI restored on this frequency, sounds like full power at S9+20 with music, Oldies? Not // 9395 music which is still very weak at S4. At 0015 Sept 14, now // with Oldies.

9955, Sept 13 at 2337, WRMI also restored here with Radio Libertad at full strength S9+10 about equal to the jamming; by 0015 Sept 14 recheck, now S9+20 and jamming is off in deference to inconsequential gospel huxter in Spanish. At neither time are any other frequencies back yet, on 5, 7, or 11 MHz bands (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Latest WRMI FB posts in reverse order:

``2330 UTC Wednesday, September 13, 2017 - 9955 kHz is now on the air with full power! It will transmit 24 hours per day with regular programming.

And yes, our engineers are working very hard here, almost around the clock, to get things back on the air. A big pat on the back to Pat Travers, our facility manager; Don Frish, our senior transmitter engineer; and other staff members Russell Zigler, Denny Williams, Javier Garcia and Thais White

2040 UTC Wednesday, September 13, 2017 - Our frequency of 9455 kHz has just gone on the air. It will carry regular programming 24 hours a day. 9395 kHz is already on with low power.

1600 UTC Wednesday, September 13 - Our electricity has just returned here at WRMI Okeechobee. Our engineers are in the antenna field repairing damage to the transmission lines, and we hope to have one or two frequencies back on the air by the end of today, in addition to our low-power broadcast on 9395 kHz`` (via Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Further checking for revival of WRMI up to 14 transmitters:

Sept 14 at 0541: 9955 JBA carrier, 9455 JJBA carrier, 9395 inaudible, but all presumably still on, propped out in the nightmiddle. At 06, K-index would be 2, following S1 level minor solar radiation storms.

Sept 14 at 1300, 9955 goes from `Radio Eslovaquia Internacional` // 9455 with its own WRMI ID, to `Informativo G24` ---- yes, by 1302 clearly the same old file every Thursday since May about the Buenaventura paro!

Sept 14 at 1305, 9455 now // 9395 with music, apparently Oldies rather than `The Power Hour`.

Sept 14 at 1953, 21525 is now on! With Radio Africa Network gospel huxters in English, and a good signal, much better than usual JBA, so must have lucked into an unpredictable sporadic-E boost. By 2013 it`s faded way down again. Don`t hear any SSB on ``15`` meters. Still no WRMIs on 15 or 11 MHz channels.

Later I find this on WRMI FB: ``1545 UTC Thursday, September 14 - We are happy to say that 21525 kHz is back on the air to Africa at full power. The schedule for this transmitter is 1400-2100 UTC daily. Still no Internet at the site, so our webstream is offline``

Sept 15 at 0124, still no signals on 5, 7 or 11 MHz channels; 9455 with BS, 9395 JBA carrier so still not restored to full power, 9955 with radiogramish beeping at S9+10 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Another check of WRMI FB, the only place to go for updates:

``0320 UTC Friday, September 15 - Oh no, our power went out again. The only frequency we still have on the air is 9395 kHz at very low power using our generator.

WRMI Radio Miami International 52 mins [ago at time copied]

0300 UTC Friday, September 15 - I went with our Facility Manager, Pat Travers, on a drive through our antenna field today. It was rough driving through the swampy, wet, muddy terrain which reminded me of the safari game drives I took in South Africa a couple of weeks ago. I saw why it is so difficult to repair the damage from Hurricane Irma in the field. There are transmission lines down all over the place, and many of the poles that hold them up need to be repaired or replaced. It is a big project, and our engineers are working on it one by one. We got one more transmitter on the air today (Transmitter 7, 21525 kHz), and we hope to get a few more on the air tomorrow. Our telephone and Internet service is still down. --Jeff White, General Manager

WRMI Radio Miami International added 5 new photos to the album: Hurricane Irma Damage at WRMI ó in Fort Drum [sic], Florida.
https://www.facebook.com/pg/wrmiradio/posts/?ref=page_internal
53 mins Antenna field damage``

Looks like a lot of repairs need to be done, so I do not expect all frequencies for quite some time. Internet is back, however, allowing WOR 1895 to be uploaded, but still won`t be heard unless the 11580 service be resumed by Saturday evening at 2300, UT Sunday 0200.

9955, Sept 15 at 1242, WRMI is back on air after another power outage, with Radio Eslovaquia Internacional, S9+10 and no jamming, // 9455 S9+10 too; during mailbag with rather formal acknowledgments of reports from Cuba, Argentina.

9395, Sept 15 at 1248, WRMI with `The Power [sic] Hour` resumed, S9-S6, allegedly still on 100-watt exciter, generator-powered only. Runs about a semiminute behind much stronger // 7490 WWCR, but that lasts only until 1300. Substitute hostess calls herself Sam.

9955, Fri Sept 15 at 1345, I`m standing by to hear whether WRMI is still running the 21525 aircheck from Nigeria, or a new Viva Miami? Yes, Jeff says recorded Monday Sept 11 at 2300, so it`s already outdated, but glean these details: generator is 25 kW, not enough for air conditioning and it`s quite hot, but runs office and studio and one low-power transmitter. Max winds doing all the damage to antennas and feedlines were 71 mph, at 9:30 pm Sunday, when Irma came closest, 50 miles to the west. Total rainfall was 17 inches. The dike held at Lake Okeechobee, tho evacuations were being prepared for. Currently a curfew 9 pm to 9 am. Some stores were still/already open, including Walmart, maybe with gas, but shortage elsewhere. 19 out of 20,000 FPL customers in Okeechobee were out of power. At the time of recording, Jeff expected this to be heard only on the live stream (but it went and came again later). First time I had heard it, anyway; only 7 minutes long before music fill (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Checked all given frequencies of WRMI at 0950 UT on Sept 15. 9955 the only RMI transmitter on air, TOM BS on sermon, S=9 in NJ-US east coastline (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 15, dxldyg via DXLD)

Is there any hope of a "needs assessment" being conducted at WRMI to determining necessary items others might procure outside Florida and shipped in? (Stephen Michael Kellat, KC8BFI, Sept 15, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Checking WRMI frequencies, Friday Sept 15 at 2211:
11580, has come back on, with RAE in Italian as sked
 7780, JBA carrier, presumably BS
 9455, Bob Biermann soft-core preaching: must be His Weekend Show
 9955, seems like PCJ Radio International

At 2334 Sept 15:
11580, Radio Ukraine International relay in English
 9455, music, Oldies?
 7780, still JBA and the other sevens still off: 7730, 7570

Saturday Sept 16 at 0956:
 9395 // 9455 with Oldies, both about S8, so seems 9395 has been resumed on a full-power transmitter.

 At 1237 Sept 16:
 9395 with VOA News just ending, back to Oldies, and // much weaker 7780 (both of which carry The Power Hour on weekdays)
 9455 // 9955 with gospel huxter in English (instead of REI Spanish weekdays)
11580, still on with BS at 1247; at 1413, RAE AAM in Spanish as scheduled altho RAE does not acknowledge existence of this repeat

 At 1731 Sept 16: ON: 21525, 11580, 9955, 9455, 9395;
still OFF: 15770, 11825 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Here are the WRMI FB posts since my last report, in reverse order:

WRMI Radio Miami International
2250 UTC Saturday, September 16, 2017 - OK, Transmitter 12 is ready to go at 2300 UTC. That's 5850 kHz. [R. Tirana at 23 except Sunday]

2338 UTC Friday September 15, 2017 - Transmitter number 6 (9395 kHz) is up at full power now! Just before sundown, when the engineers can't work any more in the field for the day. So far, so good.

2215 UTC Friday September 15, 2017 - Transmitter 10 is ready to go

tonight from 0000-0200 UTC on its regular schedule on 11530 kHz.

1915 UTC Friday, September 15, 2017 - We're on a roll. We now have Transmitter 1 (7780 kHz) on the air with full power. It will broadcast its regular schedule of programming.

We'll do our best to catch up to everyone and take pictures to post here.

1830 UTC Friday, September 15 - We are still without telephone lines and Internet service at our transmitter site. The telephone company, CenturyLink, which provides our telephone and Internet service, tells us that they estimate service should be restored by September 25 -- at 7:00 pm!

1712 UTC Friday, September 15 - Our power came back on last night about an hour after it went off. This morning we repaired the transmission lines for Transmitter 2 (5985 kHz) and it is working fine, so it will be on the air on its regular schedule from 0300-0500 UTC. Now we have just put Transmitter 9 (11580 kHz) back on the air. So right now we have the following frequencies back on according to their normal schedule: 5985, 9955, 9455, 9395 (low power), 21525 and 11580 kHz`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9395, RMI strong full power S=9+20, English language report on church and emigrant foreigners in Czech Republic. 0206 UT.

9455, RMI LOW POWER exciter ONLY like signal heard, also BS TOM program, S=4-5 at 0208 UT [not supposed to be exciter here, only initially on 9395; maybe less favorable azimuth? --- gh]

9955, RMI, Radio Prague Czech Rep program, football game results of Europa and Champions league full performance program, S=9+15dB in NJ-US coastline remote unit at 0220 UT, still CUBAN noise scratching jamming signal heard underneath [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, on remote units in NY, NJ-US coast, but also in southern Germany Europe, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Additional transmissions of Brother HySTAIRical via WRMI
1500-2200 on 7780 YFR 100 kW / 044 deg to WeEu English tx#01:
And now freq. 7780 YFR 100 kW / 044 deg to WeEu tx#01 is 24hrs
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/additional-transmissions-of-brother.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16 via DXLD)

7570, Sept 17 at 1251, another WRMI frequency reactivated, with BS at S9+20, but still no 7730;

5850, Sept 17 at 1302 is also back with BS, fair.

15770, at 1312 Sept 17, still no signal: I think that`s the one, #3, which fed the broken 44-degree antenna.

One more FB post to quote since my last report:

``0000 UTC Sunday September 17, 2017 - Now Transmitter 11 is back on also. That's 7570 kHz, beamed 315 degrees towards Vancouver like Transmitter 12 on 5850. We now have 10 transmitters/frequencies back on the air. Transmitters 8, 13 and 14 are still down [11825, 7730, 5950], plus #3 [15770] which was using the 44-degree European antenna that was severely damaged by the hurricane. We may not be able to resume using that antenna. Our phone lines are working again, so the Internet may come back soon``

9395 // 9455, Sept 17 at 1322, `Wavescan` is running with logs from some dowunderite, 1325 Ray Robinson hosting with final item, QSL of the Week. Evidently he produced this week`s show, with Jeff out of axion tnx to Irma. The Sunday 1300 emission of WS continues to be secret, not on the WRMI skedgrids, but it`s been going for months. By 1413, the pair are back to // Oldies (while on weekdays would be `The Power Hour` [sic] until 1500).

7780, Sept 18 at 1235, this WRMI is off again, while 7570 is VG with BS. Also still on are 5850, 9395, 9455, 9955, 11580.

5950, Sept 18 at 1248 BS on this WRMI at S6; new on this transmitter?

WRMI skedgrid has now been updated as of Sept 17:
http://www.tinyurl.com/WRMIfqs

It shows 5950 from two different transmitters, at the same time: 1100-1230, #3 at 160 degrees, and #14 at 181 degrees; #14 also at 22-01. But not after 1230.

5850 has an addition at 2230-2300 `Yeshua` before Radio Tirana.

11825 is still missing at 1407 Sept 18, but 7780 is now on with `The Power Hour` ads // 9395, 9455.

FB posts since my last report, in reverse order:

``WRMI Radio Miami International 17 hrs
Many thanks to Ray Robinson of KVOH in Los Angeles for guest-hosting Wavescan this week! Jeff White has been busy with the hurricane reparations at WRMI. There will be a report on WRMI's hurricane experiences on this week's Wavescan, which begins airing today,

September 17th.

2125 UTC Sunday September 17, 2017 - The frequency of 5950 kHz is now back on the air! This broadcasts Family Radio, Adventist World Radio and several other programs on a beam to Cuba and the Caribbean. We are using Transmitter 3 instead of Transmitter 14, since Transmitter 14's transmission lines are still not repaired.

Para nuestros oyentes en Cuba y el Caribe, ya est· en el aire la frecuencia de 5950 kHz!

WRMI Radio Miami International
1615 UTC Sunday September 17 - It's been almost a week since Hurricane Irma arrived here at Okeechobee. We now have 10 of our 14 transmitters on the air again with their normal power:

Transmitter 1 at 7780 kHz
Transmitter 2 at 5985 kHz
Transmitter 4 at 9955 kHz
Transmitter 5 at 9455 kHz
Transmitter 6 at 9395 kHz
Transmitter 7 at 21525 kHz
Transmitter 9 at 11580 kHz
Transmitter 10 at 11530 kHz
Transmitter 11 at 7570 kHz
Transmitter 12 at 5850 kHz

We will continue working to put the others on the air during the next few days. We cannot put Transmitter 3 on 15770 kHz again on the same antenna because the hurricane destroyed the 44-degree European antenna that this transmitter was using. But we may use Transmitter 3 with another antenna in the near future.

It seems that our Internet service has finally come back, so we are hoping that Monday we can have our audio livestream working normally again, and that our customers can again send us their programs via Internet.

Thanks to our Facility Manager Pat Travers and his team for their hard work over the last week repairing all of the transmission lines in the antenna field, we have been able to return to the air on so many transmitters so fast.

And thanks to our listeners for their patience waiting for us. The hurricane has been a bad experience, but we have overcome it and we are in the air again to serve you

WRMI Radio Miami International

1615 UTC Domingo Septiembre 17 - Ha sido casi una semana desde que llegÛ el Hurac·n Irma aquÌ a Okeechobee. Ahora tenemos 10 de nuestros 14 transmisores en el aire de nuevo con su potencia normal:

Transmisor 1 en 7780 kHz
Transmisor 2 en 5985 kHz
Transmisor 4 en 9955 kHz
Transmisor 5 en 9455 kHz
Transmisor 6 en 9395 kHz
Transmisor 7 en 21525 kHz
Transmisor 9 en 11580 kHz
Transmisor 10 en 11530 kHz
Transmisor 11 en 7570 kHz
Transmisor 12 en 5850 kHz

Seguiremos trabajando para poner los otros en el aire durante los prÛximos dÌas. No podemos reponer Transmisor 3 en 15770 kHz en la misma antena porque el hurac·n destruyÛ la antena de 44 grados hacia Europa que este transmisor estaba usando. Pero quiz·s usaremos Transmisor 3 con otra antena en el futuro cercano.

Parece que nuestro servicio de Internet ha regresado por fin, asÌ estamos esperando que maÒana lunes podemos tener nuestro stream de audio en vivo funcionando normalmente de nuevo, y que nuestros clientes puedan mandarnos sus programas por Internet de nuevo.

Gracias a nuestro Gerente de Facilidad Pat Travers y su equipo por su trabajo duro durante la semana pasada reparando todas las lÌneas de transmisiÛn en el campo de antenas, hemos podido regresar al aire en tantos transmisores tan r·pido.

Y gracias a nuestros oyentes por su paciencia esper·ndonos. El hurac·n ha sido una experiencia mala, pero la hemos superado y ya estamos en el aire de nuevo para servirles.`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

"We cannot put Transmitter 3 on 15770 kHz again on the same antenna because the hurricane destroyed the 44-degree European antenna that this transmitter was using."

WRMI has three 44 beam antennas according to the antenna field layout diagram: two double rhomboids and one TCI 611 2x4 curtain. So which one is damaged beyond repair? HFCC listings are of no help here as the frequencies that WRMI has registered for use with a 44 beam antenna has them all using rhomboids (Richard Langley, Sept 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Richard,

44 A is hooked up to transmitters 1 & 2
44 B is hooked up to transmitters 3 & 4 (must be this one that is damaged) Both Double Rhomboids
44 C is hooked up to transmitter 9, TCI 611 2x4 Curtain

Was given a map when I was there for an open house a couple years ago can't find it now (Peter W Hansen, FL, ibid.)

<*>Attachment(s) from Wolfgang Bueschel: <*> 3 of 3 Photo(s)
https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/dxld/attachments/2081919643
<*> USA_WRMI_northwest.jpg
<*> USA_WRMI_south.jpg
<*> USA_WRMI_northeast.jpg
Google earth showing antenna layouts (gh)

Thanks, Peter. I concur: it is 44B, one of the rhomboids. Jeff posted the antenna farm diagram on the WRMI Facebook site. Copy attached. It has been used on one of the WRMI QSL cards. I should have looked more closely at the one I received. ;-)
http://www.w4uvh.net/WRMIantmap.jpg
(-- Richard Langley, sept 19 dxldyg via DXLD)

Brief Transmitter Outage of WRMI on 11580 kHz on Sunday Evening [Sept 17] --- Looks like there are still some operational hick-ups as WRMI tries to get fully back on its feet. During the second broadcast of "Shortwave Radiogram," which begins at 2330 UT on 11580 kHz, the signal disappeared for about three minutes towards the end of the program while an image of Saturn was being sent. The transmitter came back in time for the program sign off. Perhaps this was a brief commercial power outage due to some continuing work on the power distribution network (-- Richard Langley, Sept 18, ibid.)

Re: Monitored WRMI Sunday Evening / Monday Morning (UTC) 11580 kHz Schedule --- From my recording last Sunday evening, 17-18 September, one anomaly: Instead of World Music at 0115 UT, there was 15 minutes of the audio of an episode of the Jack van Impe TV show -- one from Christmas 2015 (Richard Langley, Sept 19, ibid.)

7570, Sept 18 at 2335, WRMI 7570 is off again after a revival, while 7730 remains off, and 7780 is BS. Sept 19 at 0603, 7570 is back on with BS // 5850 and 7780. Unfortunately, the only frequency with RAE in Japanese at this hour, 7730 is still down. Sept 19 at 1302, 7570 is on with BS, 7730 still off.

Sept 19 at 2130, 7780 is on with BS, WRMI-1 now running all day long, 24h even tho not propagating much in full day, on one of the NE antennas, presumably because 11825, nothing but BS, is still down; and also 15770 is still down, having been on the antenna, also to the NE

that was destroyed by Irma. Jeff said 15770 may be coming back on another antenna. It`s not totally BS; at this hour 15770 would be in variety programming including WOR on Tuesday.

7780 breaks away from the BS, only for `The Power Hour`, M-F 12-15 UT, but on Sat & Sun might remain // 9395 with Oldies. Sept 20 at 0212, 7730 is still off, 7780 is VP, and 7570, which normally inbooms, is a poor S9 with an unattributed news clip about the Mexican quake before BS comes back with the obvious conclusion (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. [WBCQ 7490v-AM, into UT Sept 16] Tonight's AWWW --- Show started about thirty seconds early this evening. No dropouts or interruptions. Allan stated that they were broadcasting on 7490, 5130 and 3250 this evening so they must have found another antenna to use for one of the transmitters. Allan later announced during the first phone call that 5130 and 3250 were now diplexed on the rhombic antenna.

First forty minutes of the program was back to back phone calls. Some political discussion during the phone calls. Then a remembrance of Randi Steele who died this past week. Randi worked at the station during the first couple years. This soon morphed into a discussion of the early years of the station and its free speech policy. Reading of emails began at 0101. First email up was from program manager Robert with station changes.

He announced that the program The Next Chapter has ended its run and would not return. It was also announced that Uncle Bill's Melting Pot was moving to six o'clock Sunday evenings followed by reruns of Furthermore 29:54 leading up to Marion's Attic. There were a couple more changes but I'm an old man and can't write that fast. Allan did announce that there was no damage to his winter home in Florida. Program was off the air at 0136 after Allan again closed with some music (John Carver, Mid-North Indiana, UT Sept 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Mark Sills in Dallas left a phone message circa Sept 14 that Randi Steele had died, liver failure on way to hospital. NÈ[e] Randy Ripley, was ops manager at WBCQ, and as a transgender person had a rather acrimonious split with the station some 18 years ago. No further details or confirmation (Glenn Hauser, Sept 15, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dave Zantow forwarded the above to Allan Weiner. I don`t tune in `AWWW` until 0050 UT Sept 16 on 7490, when he is already talking about Randi, summarizing: In 1998-1999 she helped get WBCQ going; a talented person but had an uncompromising streak. Had a problem with Brother

Scare, kept calling AW at all hours of the night to complain about his anti-homosexual, anti-transgender rants. Allan, who still loves BS, and believes he really is the prophet of God, concedes that such behavior is Unbiblical, and founded on Free Speech, BS gets to advocate such a position.

``She still didn`t get it``, that FS is all-important at WBCQ. She was doing an afternoon show then on 7415. In April or May of 1999 she ``threw BS off and took over the station``. AW was in Kennebunk at the time, had to drive up to Monticello and take it back. Randi left and he never talked to her again; heard she was in Wisconsin programming an LPFM.

At 0100, AW mentions that tonight he is also on ``the nifty 32-50``, but poor here in storm noise level. Then to some program change info: Tom Taylor [European Music Radio] will be on every month for a year, Saturday at 2130-2200 on 7490 starting this week [so is it defined as the third Saturday of each month, or what?]

`The Next Chapter` has ended its run after some 200 episodes, so that opens up Wed at 7-8 pm ET. [so is Radio Alexandria close to fruition?]

`Voice of the Report of the Week`, at 8 pm ET will stop repeats on Sundays. Interrupted by a phone call from Lee in Joisey --- can`t that wait?? And another call breaking up.

`Uncle Bill`s Melting Pot` from this week moves from Thursday, to Sunday at 6-6:30 pm ET on 7490, right after `Marion`s Attic`; and 6:30-7 pm ET will be occupied by a repeat of `Furthermore 29-54` from the previous Monday.

Bill`s old spot Thursday 7-7:30 pm ET will have a repeat of `Camp Constitution Radio`, which Allan also likes (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Sorry to hear about Randi Steele's death; I seem to remember hearing her during that brief, shining moment when WWKB (ex-WKBW, 1520 kHz here in Buffalo, my first DX catch from NYC in 1964) had a liberal-talk format and we actually listened to the station. My condolences to her family and friends. Very 73 de (Anne Fanelli in Elma NY, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGSEST)

** U S A [and non]. From the Isle of Music & Uncle Bill's Melting Pot, Sept 17-23, 2017

From the Isle of Music, Sept 17-23 --- For serious DXers only

This week includes an interview recorded under very difficult

conditions. Even after editing, the interview section may be a listening challenge for some. After considerable thought, we decided to include it as a reminder of what many of us have listened through at times over the years. The music, however, will be as clear as listening conditions in your area permit.

Four opportunities to listen on shortwave:

1. For Eastern Europe but audible well beyond the target area in all directions with 100 kW, Sunday 1500-1600 UT on SpaceLine, 9400, from Kostinbrod, Bulgaria (1800-1900 MSK)

2. For the Americas and parts of Europe, Tuesday 0000-0100 UT on WBCQ, 7490 from Monticello, ME, USA (Monday 8-9PM EDT in the US)

3 & 4. For Europe and sometimes beyond, Tuesday 1900-2000 UT and Saturday 1200-1300 UT on Channel 292, 6070 from Rohrbach, Germany.

Put a little Salsa on it --- Episode 28 of Uncle Bill's Melting Pot will feature some excellent Salsa bands and Charanga orchestras based in the United States. This is our first episode at our new date and time, Sunday, September 17 at 2200-2230 UT (6:00-6:30 pm EDT US) on WBCQ 7490.

Thanks for all you do for radio (William "Bill" Tilford, Owner/Producer, Tilford Productions, LLC, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

From the Isle of Music, Sept 24-30

Electric 60s-70s
Most of this episode will be dedicated to some very interesting Cuban Rock and dance bands in the 60s and 70s, including some groups that were very popular in Cuba but little-known in other countries except among close followers of the music then.
Four opportunities to listen on shortwave:

1. For Eastern Europe but audible well beyond the target area in all directions with 100 kW, Sunday 1500-1600 UT on SpaceLine, 9400 kHz, from Kostinbrod, Bulgaria (1800-1900 MSK)

2. For the Americas and parts of Europe, Tuesday 0000-0100 UT on WBCQ, 7490 from Monticello, ME, USA (Monday 8-9 PM EDT in the US)

3 & 4. For Europe and sometimes beyond, Tuesday 1900-2000 UT and Saturday 1200-1300 UT on Channel 292, 6070 KHz from Rohrbach, Germany.

From the Isle of Music is not available for listening on demand but some broadcasts can be heard online during the time of the broadcast

using Web SDRs or the WBCQ website (during their broadcast) if you are not receiving the radio signal.

Adults Mostly --- Send the kids out in the yard to play this week, on Episode 29 of Uncle Bill's Melting Pot, we are going to listen to some classic Party records (if you are of a certain age, you know what those are) with a little bit of Greece on the side. Sunday, September 24 at 2200-2230 UT (6:00-6:30 pm EDT US) on WBCQ 7490, right after Marion's Attic, and right before a rebroadcast (we think) of Ramsey's Furthermore 29/54. Check us all out - if we're going to Hell, we want company! Thanks for all you do for radio (William "Bill" Tilford, Owner/Producer, Tilford Productions, LLC, Sept 19, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Bill also p-mailed me some new bumper-stickers; tnx (gh)

** U S A. 9475, Sat Sept 16 at 1829, WTWW-1 with suptorted ham talk on QSO show pre-empting far-right white racist extremist SFAW; and WTWW-2, 9930 is still absent, no Theater Organ (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7505-, Sept 15 at 0125, WRNO is back on after missing a week or so? VG signal, slightly on the low side with gospel huxtress in English, no drama and no Chinese at this hour (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7505.010, WRNO now back on air, S=9+25dB powerful heard, talk on ministry, involved people in church, in God ... 0151 UT on Sept 16 [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, on remote units in NY, NJ-US coast, but also in southern Germany Europe, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9369.989, BS TOM sermon via WWRB? in Aoki Nagoya list 13-24 UT, but heard at 0200 UT instead! [selected SDR options, span 12.5 kHz RBW 15.3 Hertz] (Wolfgang B¸schel, df5sx, on remote units in NY, NJ-US coast, but also in southern Germany Europe, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Sept 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 13845, WWCR, Dr. Gene Scott religious broadcast in English. SIO 444. September 13, 2017, 2229ñ 2232. Melissa Scott, preaching via WWCR, Nashville. Listed target is N. America. Uninteresting claptrap (Vince Henley, Anacortes, WA, U. S. A. These stations were logged using a battery-powered ICOM IC-R8600, a 200í dipole at 16í for HF, and a discone antenna at 12í covering up to 3.5 GHz for VHF and above. VHF and above logs are for commercial FM broadcast, Amateur, and utility stations, and are not part of this submission, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

** U S A. Checking in from Fort Myers, which has the bullseye right

now. I've been at the station since yesterday afternoon and don't plan on leaving until Tuesday morning. Our live stream is running at http://www.nbc-2.com/ with yours truly behind the scenes. I have my Sangean PR-D4W with me and am using my downtime to monitor/record the radio stations. Should make a nice YouTube video --- provided I still have computers to edit with when I get back home. Thoughts and prayers are appreciated. I'll see you all on the other side.
(:: Ryan Grabow
    :: egrabow.com/dx
    :: facebook.com/egrabow440
    :: youtube.com/user/egrabow440
Sept 9, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Fort Myers Radio Stations During Hurricane Irma --- Irma was predicted to hit the Fort Myers area last weekend as a devastating Category 4 hurricane. While I was working 12-on 12-off shifts at the TV station covering the storm, I made recordings of our local AM and FM stations. Here's what radio sounds like when a natural disaster is bearing down on you...
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wE4AyudUSSw
(Ryan Grabow, Sept 20, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

** U S A. Re: [dxld] Stations Off The Air Courtesy Of Irma

The Miami Herald
http://tomtaylornow.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=78b390ff9f5b002e3f050238c&id=855f9c4dd6&e=44808c5356
reports WIOD "News Radio 610" programming has been moved to sister station WINZ (940) --- iHeart has temporarily moved the WIOD programming to 940, bumping WINZís sports fare. WIOD's xmtr site is on in island in Biscayne Bay. iHeartís request for Special Temporary Authorization for WIOD seeks permission to run at 25% power non-directional ìfrom either of the two array elements of the directional array."

Also reported off is "790 the Ticket" WAXY Miami. Posted by: ("David R. Alpert", CA, dxldyg via DXLD)

** U S A. My Hurricane Irma Experience --- Well okay, I'm alive, just got power back on after a 24 hour failure. I've been through many hurricanes and chased huge tornadoes but this is the first time that I actually gotten scared. I had decided to hunker down and ride the hurricane out AND BOY WHAT A MISTAKE!!!

To try to make things brief because I'm tired, sweaty and stink, everything with Hurricane Irma was tolerable and manageable at first, with steadily increasing gale force wind and increasingly heavy rain. But then her eye wall or what was left of it came right over my house

beginning at 12:26 am. The wind abruptly increased to NE at 82 mph sustained with a gust to 111 mph. Then it went calm at 12:31 am and the barometric pressure dropped to it's lowest point of 28.43". Then at 12:36 am boom the wind increased to SW at 82 mph again with a gust of 110 mph. The wind was singing like a soprano for what seemed like forever.

It did seem to last forever as we heard and felt big trees crashing down around us. Two big ones just missed my house by a foot or so. We heard large branches hitting our house including windows and bouncing on and off the roof. We ended up with 3 cracked windows but no other damage, amazingly not even any shingles on our hurricane roof took off. It was an explosion of flying tree branches, roof shingles, street signs and mail boxes.

And no I didn't board up my windows like a big moron. I was stupid about the whole thing and used very poor judgment. I had actually expected at least category 2 conditions but somehow thought that my windows would be fine. Next time I will board up the windows and leave.

Again I have [to] say that it was very scary. I couldn't see anything outside, it was 100% dark, except exploding power transformers, it was very eerie. In my mind, at the beginning I thought that I was emotionally still in my 30's but found out that I am in my 60's or older.

And my yard is a horrific mess and I'll have to hire someone with a chain saw to clean it all up. This evening I took a spin around the immediate neighborhood and it looked like it was hit by a hurricane. OH WAIT IS WAS. I also saw lots of big trees down and others stripped of leaves, houses missing shingles, mail boxes and street signs missing.

As far as rain I measured 8.79" but I'm sure that my two CoCoRahs rain gauges under measured due to the sideways rain and threaded leaves blocking the funnel openings. By the way my Davis VP2 weather station rain gauge measured very close to my CoCoRaHs manual rain gauges.

BTW I'm not sure that I trust the 110-111 mph wind gust readings. I think that they are too high. I'll have to investigate closer.

As far as hamateur radio antennas, I lowered 3 of the 4 wire antennas to the ground and the 3 on the ground still got trashed by falling trees and flying tree limbs, including expensive really tough #12 stranded wire, center and end insulators and long runs of RG-213 and LMR-400 coaxial cable. A 4th antenna away from my trees survived up in the air but the wire was missing some insulation probably removed by

flying debris.

I will no longer be able to use any of my oak trees as supports for my antennas as I had done since 2005. That really stinks because in order to get back on the air with a competitive signal I'll need to use steel towers and/or steel push up poles. I'm not sure if I even want to bother with that.

And last but least the only bright side to the hurricane strike was a zero noise level on the MW and SW bands for 24 hours. Boy was that nice.

73 & GUD DX, (Thomas F. Giella, W4HM, Lakeland, FL, USA
http://lists.contesting.com/mailman/listinfo/spaceweather
https://www.facebook.com/thomasfranklingiellaw4hm
Sept 14, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks, Thomas. Best wishes for getting fully recovered. Other members in FL or elsewhere impacted by hurricanes are invited to tell their stories here, and confirm they are OK now! (Glenn, ibid.)

** U S A. 1030, Sept 13 at 0606 UT, `Red Eye Radio` opening hour, plugging flagship WBAP. Only 1030 RER affil listed in new NRC AM Log is: KFAY, Farmington AR, address in FAYetteville, 6/1 kW U4. Not far, but not often heard here, especially in nightmiddle. Night pattern is circle tangent SW, away from Boston, so we are very much on the edge of it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. FLORIDA, WWBA 820/WHBO 1040, Largo. These diplex from the same site (despite the latter being licensed to Pinellas Park) about 1.5 miles from the house. After Hurricane Irma passed, both (through September 17 local morning) appear to be operating day power only. I drove to the transmitter site at 9:30 a.m. local today, September 17. All four very tall towers remain standing, and there's no visual sign of any damage otherwise. At least six 15-gallon plastic gas cans (all unsecured but empty) are stacked near the generator and against the building. The air conditioner is running, indicating power is on from some source. This building is human-free, with the studios in St. Petersburg. There were at least 20 Duke Energy trucks in the area, with the nearby housing subdivision definitely still without power, so the transmitter site which is quasi-rural horse pastures may well be without power as well. Staying off nights to conserve generator fuel? Or power/pattern switching issues without a regular power source? The shoddy Genesis website is useless on status, of course.

1040, FLORIDA, WURN, Boynton Beach. 0603 September 17, 2017. English female "... Miami, Florida, covering the Florida Keys..." into instrumental fill, then Spanish talk. In absence of WHBO's night

signal.

1040, GEORGIA, WPBS, Conyers. 1037 September 16, 2017. Korean ballads, Korean female announcer except for English-ish "AM 10-40" often, local Atlanta area commercials. D1 50 kW. In absence of WHBO's night signal. (Terry Krueger, All times/dates GMT, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, longwires, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CUBA

** U S A. New log 1520 KQQB Stockdale TX --- Heard last night on the Sony SRF-M37W. 1520, KQQB TX, Stockdale, 9/13 9:26-10:00+ PM PDT [0436-0500+ UT Sept 14] heard running loop my man, advertising time available on the station. Mentioned 2 phone numbers. Copied most of the message. Very weak and fading in and out with QRM from KFBK-1530 and someone on 1520 (Port Hueneme?) Will send a report. New, #427. (Martin Foltz, Mission Viejo CA, ABDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD) San Antonio area (gh)

Got them! The mini-BOG couldn't pick them up (it's aimed SSE) so I turned on the ICF-2010 and got them right away, with no headphones or external antenna required, while I was walking around the house. I'm copying parts of a promotional loop under KOKC and unidentified NOS station:

"This is KQQB Stockdale... KQQB... to reach this great radio station... affordable rates.... during the hours of..."

This is basically a free DX test. Go get 'em! Thanks Martin for the tip. New station #1404. 73 (Tim Hall, CA, 0526 UT Sept 15, ibid.)

Very nice! This guy sends most of its power towards So. Cal. Almost nothing towards me in IL, so I doubt I can catch them thru powerhouse KOKC. 73 and good DX. KAZ (Neil Kazaross, ibid.)

Thanks for the heads-up, Martin, I got them too! I have been completely inactive with DXing, but when I saw the email I thought I would give it a shot. I dusted off the DX-398, went into the bedroom (one of the only places in the house where the noise is not completely overwhelming), and in less than 30 seconds was rewarded with the same promo for their advertising services and a clear ID. 1250 miles at 2500 W is a really nice catch, even if their DA sends most of that power my way (Brian Leyton, Valley Village, CA, Sept 15, ibid.)

1520, KQQB, TX, Stockdale - 9/17, 0154 EDT - Per Bill Block tip, poor but readable under Buffalo with "This is AM 1520 KQQB Stockdale-San Antonio." A 2500 watt daytimer with primary lobe aimed west. Per the I Love AM Radio Facebook site, it's a repeating loop describing the station and soliciting potential buyers. They were at it as well the previous two nights both before and after midnight CDT, per John

Johnson in Arizona, who said a California DXer also has heard it. So it looks as if KQQB is NSP for the time being. First newie here in six long months! (Steve Francis, Alcoa, Tennessee, IRCA via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

Thanks for the tip, Bill and Steve, noted here this morning 09/17/2017 at 7 am [CDT = 12 UT] with strong signal here in Austin, TX with continuous loop to pull in buyers of air time.

I also checked my SDR recording for 09-15-2017 and it was there on this date. I did check my 09/10/2017 SDR recording but did not hear it, but the recording was at 4 am, so it could have been on later in the week. So, it appears to have come back on the air between 09/10 and 09/15 or so. New log here and makes 15 new logs this year on AM (James Niven, ibid.)

TY for the tip, Steve, I figured if it could leak some signal back to the NE it might also make it here to NE IL and it did! New for me occasionally thru mess on my sunrise recordings yesterday and today. This is like having a DX test! 73 KAZ Barrington IL Perseus and Double Flag antenna (a work in progress and not likely to replace the DKAZ for too long) (Neil Kazaross, Sept 17, NRC-AM via DXLD)

1520, KQQB, TX, Stockdale, 9/16, 2140 EDT [0140 UT Sept 17]. Tape loop, soliciting advertisers, repeating with good ID, phone numbers. Somewhat a buzz in DX community at the moment. Here in Arizona, I tuned in at sunset here to this station completely burying the channel. A Mexican station started coming in during twilight. KOKC absolutely unheard at the moment or during subsequent rechecks ending at 8P local/2300 E. First log for me and probably the rest of you as this is a new station.

Hello from Sun Cities/Peoria Arizona. Logs English, unless otherwise stated. Times/dates Eastern as per major MW DX clubs. Equipment RS SW-2000629, Terk Advantage loop, Panasonic RF-2200 (stock), & Grundig Satellit 750 (stock). 73 and Good Listening! (Rick Barton, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

HI all, Very strong here in Arizona tonight. Obviously running daytime power and daytime antenna pattern. Not as strong as WOAI 1200, but close. KOKC is unreadable. Link to Antenna Pattern
http://swotrc.net/ka5dwi/kqqb1520.png
Hurry up Fall. 73 (Art KA5DWI/7, Dewey AZ near Prescott, 0252 UT Sept 17, ABDX VIA dxld)

Has a notch to the north. Not heard here yet (Glenn Hauser, OK, DXLD)

Isnít quiet dark enough but listen up for this one; Running continuous

loop asking people to buy programming time. Well over KOKC all night. Thanks to those who posted this yesterday (Wayne Heinen, CO, 2353 UT Sept 18, NRC-AM via DXLD)

Hi all, Still here in Central Arizona at 5:40 PM local MST Sunday [0040 UT Monday]. Hearing no others. We need to call Karen and Bill 972-900-9195 and find out when they plan to end it. 73 (Art KA5DWI/7, Kenwood TS-2000 and Inverted-L for 80 Meters 1/4 wave, ibid.)

Please don't until I get to the Border Inn! Let's let people keep logging it the rest of the month. 73 (Tim Hall, CA, ibid.)

Especially since some of us out here still need it. Tried for it last night, but The Station Formerly Known As KOMA was on top, as expected. Had snippets of country music popping in from time to time, most likely perpetual cheater KRHW near the Missouri Bootheel. 73, (Rick Dau, South Omaha, Nebraska, Sony ICF-2010, Grundig AN-200 antenna, ibid.)

While you're at it, then please call the hundreds of other cheaters. Most will not answer you or lie to you. Perhaps 5% of them will actually care. I still have a chance, albiet slim, to catch this station unless we have another solar flare like last week (Todd Skaine, Bloomington MN, ibid.)

Actually you may want AUroral conditions to help get central TX from MN as it is just a bit west of south of you and the AU should reduce QRM. 73 KAZ (Neil Kazaross, ibid.)

I do have a chance, Kaz, but KOKC and KRHW will need a major flare to be minimized and I do get KOLM on groundwave here at night so this makes it harder. I will check but adding WKBW to this mix will be a challenge. Kaz, can you send me a list of supplies I need to build your kaz antennae? (Todd Skaine, Bloomington MN, ibid.)

They were coming in nicely as I drove home from rehearsal last night. I just hope they keep doing it until I get to the Border Inn for this year's DXpedition. 73 (Tim Hall, CA, ibid.)

Hi Rick, I haven't been able to get it in East Central Minnesota either. That country station is almost certainly KHRW. That one and KOKC have been battling it out here on 1520 for a week now. I have solid IDs on both, but no trace of KQQB here. Darn! I have a DX pedition to a state park coming up Oct 1; maybe it will turn up then. Good Luck. 73, (Mike Gorniak, Braham, MN, ibid.)

Is that 50 kW day and night with ND or directional? (Todd Skaine, Bloomington MN, ibid.)

This has been into my NE IL QTH at sunrise. 73 (KAZ, NRC-AM Sept 19 via DXLD)

Am hearing KQQB this evening for a new catch, with frequent IDs and phone numbers during promotions for their station's coverage of the San Antonio market. Thanks to Bill Block and others for reporting this. 73, (Nigel Pimblett, Dunmore, Alberta, 0448 UT Sept 19, IRCA via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

Hi all, Still here at 7:15 PM local MST 9/18. Mixing with a Spanish language station. Lots of fading this evening, but still holding its own. 73 (Art KA5DWI Dewey AZ near Prescott Valley, ABDX via DXLD)

Same here last night. I assume the Spanish is Port Hueneme CA unless KMPG or XEEH is on late. Those 3 co-owned stations around Ventura on 1400, 1520 and 1590 change formats way too often. Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone (TIM HALL, ibid.)

Midnight PLT [0700 UT Sept 19] logged KQQB Huge signal here in Lakewood CA over unID XE (XE national anthem) Numerous call letters heard. Logged on the Sangean DT160 Ultralight. Good times! (Mike Sanburn, KG6LJU, Sent from my iPod, IRCA via DXLD)

** U S A. 1610, WQOM846, ID, Boise heard 8/21 at 1740 [EDT?] with ìEclipse Infoî fair to good signals while driving around Boise with Frank Aden (Bill Block of Prescott Valley AZ, DXing in Boise, ID with 2010 Toyota car radio, Western DX Roundup, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 16 via DXLD)

** U S A. 1650, FLORIDA, (HAR), WQQJ297, Tampa. 0710 September 17, 2017. Compu-man loop still claiming that the Sunshine Skyway Bridge/I-75 is closed, six days after it re-opened, post Hurricane Irma. And there's extensive Interstate signage for all these 1650 transmitters, so people are likely actually tuning in for fake news.
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Florida Low Power Radio Stations:
https://sites.google.com/site/floridadxn/florida-low-power-radio-stations
(Terry Krueger, All times/dates GMT, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, longwires, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1710, TIS Hudson County, NJ --- Call is WQFG689 and it is regularly received here at night as in this recording:
https://app.box.com/s/e1f7808iel98pp4dkdwi3mbnu7cag0lb
(Mark Connelly, WA1ION, South Yarmouth, MA, Sept 15, IRCA via DXLD)

** U S A. CONGRESS PASSES PUBLIC MEDIA FUNDING BILL

Glenn - Late last week, the House and Senate passed a short-term spending bill to keep the federal government, including public media, fully funded through the beginning of December.

Additionally, the Senate Appropriations Committee approved its spending bill, and public media was fully funded. Even though Congress has approved public media funding through December, this bill is an important marker for funding negotiations that will take place later this year.

Every message that you sent to your lawmakers in support of your stations made a difference in the final outcome to preserve public media funding. Thank you for standing up for your stations.

The debate on federal funding for all programs ñ including public media ñ will pick up again later this fall. We will let you know when itís time to raise your voice again.

For a full recap of funding decisions that have been made this year, visit our blog. Read the Recap
https://protectmypublicmedia.org/blog/2017/09/14/funding-fy18-december/?utm_source=advocates&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=House-vote-2018

Thank you for making public media possible. Sincerely, (Cait Beroza, The Protect My Public Media Team, Sept 14, WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. KCRW Santa MÛnica becomes NPR for Berlin: GERMANY [WORLD OF RADIO 1896]

** U S A. FOLLOW CBS NEWS RADIO AND OTHERS ON SOUNDCLOUD.
September 18, 2017 marks an historic anniversary for the CBS Radio Network, 90 years. Correspondents Steve Kathan and Nick Young are here to take you on a journey through 90 flourishing years. . .[40 minutes]
https://soundcloud.com/cbs-news-radio/cbs-radio-network-90th-anniversary-special
(via Benn Kobb, DXLD)

** U S A. PETER DOYLE SET TO LEAVE FCC
September 15, 2017 By Randy J. Stine

Doyle, 66, has been division chief of the Media Bureauís Audio Division since 2001, and has been one of the more familiar faces of the commission to broadcasters for 22 years. . .
http://www.radioworld.com/news-and-business/0002/peter-doyle-set-to-leave-fcc/340431
(via Indiana Radio Watch via John Carver, DXLD)

** VANUATU. 7259.96, R. Vanuatu, 1250-1350, Sept 14. The normal

propagation would have favored China here, but not so today; pop songs (Berlin - "Take My Breath Away," etc.); 1302 news in vernacular; series of clear IDs; 1336 speech in English with many mentions of "trade . . . Vanuatu . . . trade commission," etc. Brief audio of ID: http://goo.gl/rxaJJ5
(Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VATICAN. Interview at Antonio Interlizzi ex main director of Vatican Radio --- Intervista all'ex direttore generale della Radio Vaticana e fondatore di Radio Veritas, padre Antonio Stefanizzi. Il racconto di un protagonista
https://playdxblog.blogspot.it/2017/09/storia-della-radio-vaticana-intervista.html
73 (Giampiero Bernardini, dxldyg via DXLD)

Weak signal of Vatican Radio Holy Mass on Sept 15
1130-1200 on 15595 SMG 100 kW / 107 deg to N/ME English Fri
1130-1200 on 17590 SMG 100 kW / 112 deg to N/ME English Fri
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/weak-signal-of-vatican-radio-holy-mass.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via DXLD)

Upcoming changes of Vatican Radio SMG in Ukrainian & Romanian effective from Oct 1:
0610-0700 9850 250 kW / 055 deg Ukrainian liturgy Sun, ex 0615-0745
0610-0700 11740 250 kW / 058 deg Ukrainian liturgy Sun, ex 0615-0745
0710-0825 7250 250 kW / 054 deg Romanian liturgy Sun, ex 0615-0730
0710-0825 9645 100 kW / 054 deg Romanian liturgy Sun, ex 0615-0730
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/upcoming-changes-of-vatican-radio-in.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 14 via DXLD)

** VATICAN. The answer from the Radio Vatican itself, yesterday decided to send them a report on old address and reply to their letter in the answering machine:

"Unfortunately, the address (russo@spv.va) you indicated in the letter is incorrect. Our new address: russo@spc.va SPC is the "Segreteria per la Comunicazione" (new Secretariat for communication of the Vatican). Sincerely, Russian service of Vatican Radio ª (Andrey, Tomsk, Russia / "deneb-radio-dx", via RusDX Sept 17 via DXLD)

** VIETNAM. Do Voice of Vietnam (RUS) now have e-mails for QSL - golosvietnama @ gmail.com and @ mail.ru, or do I have outdated information? To write to them became rare, maybe therefore the answer does not come more, as before (Andrey, Tomsk / "deneb-radio-dx" & Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan / "deneb-radio-dx" via RusDX Sept 17 via DXLD)

"Voice of Vietnam" asks to use the email address golosvietnama @

gmail.com. With mail.ru they have some problems. I use the address golosvietnama @ gmail.com from December last year. In February and March I sent reports on the reception in the old-fashioned manner at mail.ru, I did not receive a reply. The rest of the months sent to gmail, in return received QSL-cards (Dmitry Kutuzov, Ryazan, Russia / "deneb-radio-dx", ibid.)

** VIETNAM. 9839.83, VOV, 1149, Sept 15. Item about ecotourism in Vietnam; in English, with fair reception (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM. Juan Franco Crespo, Spain forward this in the Thai language, which Google managed to translate pretty well (gh)

Baked letter September 16, 2017
September 16, 2560 | 8:00:00

(VOVWORLD) - After reading the article "Take Dr Insurers, the famous silver jewelry dealer in Hanoi", Saidi Saisri Srisri has sent a comment on the website of the programmer in Thai language. "I know the wholesale price of a few baht. And the minimum wholesale price?"

Reply to letter September 16, 2017 - 1 photo artwork on the 72nd anniversary of the founding of VVV

This week, the international broadcasting or VOV 5 has received emails and letters from 40 listeners and 286 territories, although the 72nd anniversary of the founding of the Vietnam Radio Station or VOV has passed. Depending on the way VV still receive blessings from many listeners.

Ms S.B. Sharma from India wrote that. "We are pleased. When you know that. The 72nd anniversary of the founding of Independence Day and the Declaration of Independence was broadcast by the VVV in September 1945. VV is proud to serve the Fatherland. Focus on broadcasting 24/7 and broadcast online. Vietnamese culture for listeners through 12 languages. Do proud things And build links with those who love Vietnam through radio and social networking."

Amir Jameel from India writes, "In the past 72 years, VV has played an important role in introducing Vietnam to the world today. VV is one of the best radio stations. I wish you the very best in your work and the publicity of VV to the world. You are the listener of VV day by day. I and the radio listening club wish the 72nd anniversary of the founding of"

In addition, VVV received an email from Jose Ignacio from Spain saying

that he was interested in a documentary about the owner of his memoirs, "There - Spain." Perspective on Spain and Spain and similarities between Vietnam and Spain"

Juan Franco Crespo from Spain has expressed the wish. The list of VVV 5 will air through short radio waves. "30 minutes of broadcast time is considered appropriate. The content of the show is very diverse and interesting. Especially the list of Vietnamese culture and music. Mailing list I never forgot Because this is a list that helps listeners meet and socialize with content that we are interested in."

Alfonso Flores from Peru writes that "5 VOCs are currently available for VVs. Through the list of VVV I have more understanding about the situation in Vietnam"

After reading an article titled "Vietnamese first and last name", Luhan_Lunhan_Exo@hotmail.com commented, "I want to get a Vietnamese name. Who named it? October 2, 1982, Saturday, the name of Mr. Werapop Kaew, who knows the name of the birthday or the real name has been told to me offline ID Line jaymin.viet"

The programmer is very pleased to have a Vietnamese name for you, the listener and feel. This listener has a special love for Vietnam. According to the astrological belief of the Vietnamese people, you were born in 2525, that is, the year should be named with a few words, how many people, and how many people you listen to.

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The programmer thanked Sivitri Sangsri for his interest in the program. Including the featured people we recommend. The dispatcher has sent your phone number to Dr Sawitree Saisri, contacted earlier this week and hope. When you reply to today's mailing list, you can contact Ms. Sawitree Saisri.

Reply to letter September 16, 2017 - photo 2 Hanoi in autumn
During this period, Hanoi is entering the fall. Cool weather And at the request of a group of Thai students who are studying Vietnamese language, who would like to hear about fall music in Hanoi. The author of the song. "Hanoi in autumn" hope that through this song, Thai students will love Hanoi more ... (via Juan Franco Crespo, DXLD)

** ZANZIBAR [non-log]. 6015, ZBC Radio, on Sept 15, continues silent from 0300+ (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, antenna: 100' long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Pacific JBA MW carrier search Sept 15 at 1201-1208 UT: 1098 from west; 774, 702 and 612 from WSW; no others thru topend. Our sunrise today: 1214 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Pacific JBA MW carrier search, 1154 UT September 18: only 702, with two carriers beating from WSW: presumably 50 kW 2BL ABC Sydney, and 10 kW Magic, Auckland NZ, as other monitors have been getting into deep North America (tho there is another 1 kW NZer). [See AUSTRALIA] Skipped midband, but nothing detected on hiband either (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1010, Sept 15 at 1214 UT, ballad music in Spanish roughly E/W. Format might fit for XELO Chihuahua or XEWS Culiac·n (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1039.69, 0922 September 17, 2017. Reading approximate. Who's here, hetting Radio Mayabeque, WHO et. al.? (Terry Krueger, All times/dates GMT, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, longwires, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 5050, Sept 16 at 0050, no signal. A new Latin American unID had been reported on HCDX late Sept 15:

``Iím hearing Latin music and a male announcer in Spanish on 5049.24 kHz from 2250 tune in. I think there was an ID at 2254, but my old ears couldnít pick it out. Some of the music sounds Andean. At this time, almost all of South America is in darkness, except a bit of Colombia, Ecuador and Per˙, and those areas are just coming into gray-line with my location. Anyone? --Art Delibert, N. Bethesda, MD``

David Goren, circa NYC, replied: ``I tuned in after I saw your note; could barely copy voices out of the noise, but a Spanish speaking male did fade up for a few seconds. I didnít see the exact moment the signal went off, but it was somewhere around 2315``

Art replied: ``Thanks David. I couldnít stay at the radio for very long after I sent the message, but I did note that the carrier signal of this station (or another right on top of it) became very strong, a fact seemingly at odds with the weakness of the audio and the fading in and out. So Iím not sure what was happening on this frequency. Art Delibert, North Bethesda, MD``

So maybe it was a phantom? Perhaps would be on air pre-sunrise with a better chance. I happen to awaken at 0957 Sept 16, but nothing audible. The only stations known on 5050 are India and China, which would also be propagable at certain hours, but not in Spanish. PLUS, WWRB UT Sun-Mon-Tue only circa 00-02 UT or less (Glenn Hauser, OK,

WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST) No further reports of it

UNIDentified. Pirate with non-stop music again on air, Sept 15
0939 & 1039 7516.2 unknown transmitter probably on air 0930-1430 UT:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/unidentified-pirate-with-non-stop-music_15.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 15 via DXLD)

UNIDentified. Pirate with non-stop music again on air, Sept 16
from 1230 on 7516.2 unknown tx site, today with Greek music:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/unidentified-pirate-with-non-stop-music_16.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16 via DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. EGYPT [sic], Reception of unidentified station with
Egyptian music, Sept 16
0900-0921 on 9400 unknown tx / unknown to ????, weak to fair signal
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.bg/2017/09/reception-of-unidentified-station-with_16.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, SWLDXBulgaria News Sept 16 via DXLD)

Ivo has been reporting this station for quite a while now. But I haven't seen any other reports. How do we know it comes from Egypt and what is the actual identity of this station? Only ever music broadcast? (-- Richard Langley, NB, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED [non]. And what's this right now on 15285 kHz? A spur or someone's transmission completely broken? Attachment(s) from
KaiLudwig@T-Online.de [dxld] | View attachments on the web
1 of 1 File(s) 15285 17-Sep-17 1759 UT.mp3

clip starts with 4+1 timesgnal, last pip higher; then only traces of distorted talk. I bet it`s Cairo (gh, DXLD)

At 1852 UT 15285 kHz channel was empty.
but ITU / HFCC lists Radio Cairo 100 kW 160degr azimuth,
17-19z to East Africa, Somali and Amharic language services.
wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

correction 15285 kHz
1700-1730 in Somali,
1730-1900 in Amharic
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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Thanks to Gerald T Pollard, North Carolina, for a generous equinoxial check to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702.

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Thanks to Tomoaki Wagai, Wakayama, Japan, for a contribution via PayPal, not necessarily in US funds, to woradio at yahoo.com

PUBLICATIONS
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PACIFIC ASIAN LOG UPDATE

Hello everyone: I updated the Pacific Asian Log a few days ago. It's now posted on the Radioheritage website:
http://www.radioheritage.net/
You'll need to go through a couple of the site's internal links to get to the proper page, but you'll be able to either download the PDF version or use the interactive version. If you have problems finding it, let me know. I can also send a copy directly.

Changes since last update in May include major updates to the Australia, China, and Philippines listings, as well as changes for other countries. Corrections and updates from users are always welcome and can be sent to bportzer@comcast.net or portzerbt@gmail.com
I'm planning to issue the next update in November.

First issued in 2001, The PAL lists medium wave and domestic shortwave broadcasting stations in southern and eastern Asia and the Pacific. It lists about 5000 stations in over 50 countries, with frequencies, call signs, locations, power, networks, schedules, languages, formats, networks and other information (Bruce Portzer, WA, Sept 13, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thanks for your long and outstanding efforts on this, Bruce. PAL is an invaluable resource! (Bill Whitacre, Alexandria, VA, IRCA via DXLD)

SWLDXBULGARIA NEWS, DX RE MIX NEWS, OBSERVER

Here is the new standard footer from Ivo Ivanov, which I will not be recopying with every excerpt : (gh)

``More information on the shortwave listening hobby,
please visit to http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com

QTH-1: Patreshko, Bulgaria
Receiver: Afedri SDR
Software: SDR-Console v2.3 (using remote connection)
Antennas: various Inverted V and beverage antennas.

QTH-2: Sofia OK2, Bulgaria
Receiver: Sony ICF-2001D
Antenna: 30 m. long wire``

BTW, if you think I publish and awful lot of his reports, I don`t ---- only a small fraxion. Many of them are just reconfirming previously known info, useful perhaps if needed for later research, but I can`t afford the additional time to process all of them into DXLD (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES
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MADISON-MILWAUKEE GET-TOGETHER

Tim Noonan, 801 East Park Boulevard, Oak Creek, Wisconsin 53154-3929

As we were reading e-mail reports about the Reno convention happening some 1500 miles away, our 24th annual Madison-Milwaukee Get-Together occupied Saturday afternoon and evening, August 19. The weather was beautiful and it seemed that everyone had a fine time. During the afternoon, Chris Kadlec discussed his Seoul AM Radio Listening Guide project as a follow-up to his fuller presentation at last yearís gathering, and Joe Olig presented a demonstration of the HamSphere system. But most of the day was devoted to conversations about radio and everything under the sun.

31 hobbyists, along with some spouses and family members, attended, representing the various facets of the radio hobby. IRCA members present were Ken Hawkins, Neil Kazaross, and yours truly, with apologies to anyone I missed. A while after photos in the back yard, we headed to Sunrise Restaurant in South Milwaukee, a new place for us, as the restaurant of past years no longer serves dinner. A very positive response to Sunrise assures that it is the new get-together restaurant.

After dinner, we awarded the door prizes, generously donated by Universal Radio and Scott Fybush. Those [who] wanted to visit some more came back to the house to talk, or catch Star Trek on MeTV (and they showed a good one ñ îCourt Martialî). The gathering ended a bit before 11. Next year, we mark the get-teethís [sic; spell check?] 25th anniversary in Madison, as Mark Taylor and Bill Dvorak will host on Saturday, August 18. 73 and good DX in the new DX season (Tim Noonan,

DX Forum, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 16 via DXLD)

DX-PEDITIONS
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SAD STORY FROM THE ROCKWORK CLIFF

A Canadian visitor has apparently fallen off of the Rockwork cliff, after losing his balance during a hiking trip 4 days ago, according to KGW in Portland
http://www.kgw.com/news/missing-man-reportedly-fell-off-800-foot-cliff-on-oregon-coast/473234346
Although the site is inherently risky, DXers are fortunate to have kept a perfect safety record at the plunging cliff for 6 years now, despite wacky weather and other challenges (Gary DeBock (in Puyallup, WA, USA), IRCA via DXLD)

He fell from a Cliffside trail. We DX from paved vehicle turnout spots with a wall. Many thousands of people stop in the turnouts to see the view on US highway 101. I think there is no danger at all that anyone could ever fall from the walled turnout. The story of the hiker falling from a different spot (trail) is tragic but shouldn't worry us (Chuck Hutton, ibid.)

Unless of course, they insist on placing antennas on the other side of said wall. Guilty, your honor (Nick Hall-Patch, BC, ibid.)

I daresay that I have leaned over more than one precipice during an attempt to enhance a signal from a faraway place. Daredevils. It's in our blood! (Colin Newell, BC, ibid.)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See MOROCCO
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB & DAB+
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WorldDAB and EBU supported the adoption of the Euro DAB broadcasting standard ----- The standard stipulates that the receiver must support DAB +, DAB, and FM

At the IFA exhibition in Berlin, representatives of the WorldDAB consortium and the European Broadcasting Union (EBU) announced support for the Euro DAB standard adopted by the European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI), which was agreed as a set of minimum specifications for digital DAB receivers sold in Europe.

According to the requirements of the European standard DAB (Euro DAB),

digital receivers must support DAB +, DAB and analog FM technologies. The standard also lists the minimum technical requirements, including the sensitivity of the receiver, the observance of which must guarantee the stable reception of programs of all digital DAB stations available on the air ...
https://vk.com/dxingradio
(via RusDX Sept 17 via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See also MEXICO; OKLAHOMA
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CLEARSTREAM TV OVER-THE-AIR TELEVISION DIGITAL TUNER

I was in a Best Buy this afternoon and I noticed the ClearStream TV Over-The-Air Televison Digital Tuner on the shelf. I suspect that it is a new device. Does anybody here have one yet? If so, how well does it perform?

Antennas Direct | ClearStream TVô Over-The-Air Television Digital Tuner
https://www.bestbuy.com/site/antennas-direct-clearstream-tv-digital-tuner-black/5947695.p?skuId=5947695
https://www.walmart.com/ip/ClearStream-TV-Tuner/184148562
(Jim1348, Sept 18, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

PROPAGATION
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DR TAMITHA SKOV ON PROPAGATION, HAARP

Here are videos from September 7 by Dr. Tamitha Skov. The second one is an hour-long program in which she answers viewer's questions about recent activity. It contains lots of great information. I love it when she tries to set the record straight about HAARP, that no, it is not a tool for mind control or messing with the weather:

https://youtu.be/oMAl5b5cXm0
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ahMAY_GRxpA

SEVEN MASSIVE SOLAR FLARES IN SEVEN DAYS

A Newsweek article about seven massive solar flares in seven days is available at:
http://www.newsweek.com/solar-flares-sun-hot-spot-664118
(QST de W1AW, Propagation Forecast Bulletin 37 ARLP037, From Tad Cook, K7RA, Seattle, WA September 15, 2017, To all radio amateurs. Via DXLD)

TOPBAND: UPCOMING WEBINARS - PREPARING FOR THE UPCOMING CONTEST SEASON

From the Topband list. Although this announcement talks of contests, Carl, K9LA, who gave a presentation at the Fort Wayne convention a couple of years back, is THE expert on MF propagation, so there will likely be a nugget or two in this webinar. best wishes, Nick

Hi Gang - with CQWW DX and other contests coming up, I've put together a few Webinars to kick things off. More are in the works, but we're ready to announce the first two. Pass the word!

Wednesday, October 4, 9 PM EDT (Thursday, October 5 - 0100 UT)
A LOOK AT PROPAGATION FOR THE 2017/2018 CONTEST SEASON
Registration:
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5179671020739447042

K9LA will review the status of Cycle 24 for the next half-year, and will discuss how the contest bands will be affected. Bonus - He'll also tell host K4ZW whether the lowbands will open this year during his XW4ZW lowband DXpedition or, whether to bring extra beer money and a deck of cards.

Wednesday, October 11, 9 PM EDT (Thursday, October 12 - 0100 UT)
Contesting! It's a fun game. Let's do it the right way.
Registration:
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4458259451700357122

W5ZN discusses the ethics of radiosport and why following the rules matters! 73 Ken K4ZW
Topband Reflector Archives -
http://www.contesting.com/_topband
(via Nick Hall-Patch, Victoria, BC Canada, IRCA via DXLD)

:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/weekly.html
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 11 - 17 September 2017

Solar activity was at predominately very low levels through the summary period, interupted by a brief period of low activity on 12 Sep as Region 2680 (N09, L=317, class/area Hsx/140 on 12 Sep) produced a pair of impulsive C-class flares. 11 Sep saw the X-ray background elevated at the C-level due to slow decay from the X8

flare (R3-Strong) observed at 10/1606 UTC. No Earth-directed CMEs were detected during the period.

Of note, two halo CMEs were observed on 17 Sep. The first one, a full-halo CME, was first observed in LASCO C2 imagery at 17/1224 UTC, while the second one was a partial-halo CME, first observed in LASCO C2 imagery at 17/1424 UTC. The source region of both CMEs was determined to be from old active Region 2673 (S09, L=119) which is presently on the back side of the solar disk. Old Region 2673 is due to return on 23 Sep.

10 MeV and 100 MeV protons at geosynchronous orbit exceeded their respective event thresholds during the period, both in response to the X8 flare observed on 10 Sep. At 10/1645 UTC, 10 MeV protons exceeded 10 pfu (S1-Minor), reached a maximum of 1,490 pfu (S3-Strong) and decayed below the S1 level at 14/1725 UTC. The 100 MeV proton flux exceeded the 1 pfu level at 10/1625 UTC, reached a maximum of 68 pfu at 10/2215 UTC and ended at 13/0335 UTC.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at moderate levels on 13-14 Sep and high levels on 11-12 and 15-17 Sep. A maximum of 46,263 pfu was observed at 17/1610 UTC.

Geomagnetic field activity was a quiet to minor storm levels (G1-Minor) and major storm levels (G2-Moderate) during the summary period. Quiet to unsettled levels were observed on 11 Sep through late on 12 Sep due to waning effects from a negative polarity CH HSS. Late on 12 Sep through midday on 13 Sep, field activity increased to active to minor storm levels (G1-Minor) in response to CME effects from the 10 Sep X8 flare. During this timeframe, total field peaked at 16 nT, the Bz component reached a maximum southward extent of -12 nT and solar wind speed peaked at about 650 km/s. Quiet levels were observed for the remainder of 13 Sep through midday on 14 Sep.

From midday on 14 Sep through 17 Sep, field activity was dominated by effects from a recurrent, positive polarity CH HSS. Unsettled to G1-Minor and G2-Moderate levels were observed through 16 Sep with quiet to active levels present on 17 Sep. During this timeframe, total field peaked at near 22 nT, the Bz component reached a maximum southward extent of -18 nT and solar wind speed peaked at about 775 km/s.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 18 SEPT-14 OCT 2017

Solar activity is expected to be at predominately very low levels on 18-22 Sep and 08-14 Oct. R1-R2 (Minor-Moderate) levels are expected on 23 Sep-07 Oct due to the return of old Region 2673 (S09, L=119).

The greater than 10 MeV protons at geosynchronous orbit are expected to remain at background levels from 18-22 Sep and 08-14 Oct. A chance for an S1-S2 (Minor-Moderate) proton event is possible from 23 Sep-07 Oct in association with significant flare activity after the return of old Region 2673.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels on 18-22 Sep, 28 Sep-19 Oct and 12-14 Oct due to CH HSS influence. Normal to moderate levels are expected for the remainder of the outlook period.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at unsettled to active levels on 18-20 Sep, 24-25 Sep and 30 Sep-02 Oct with G1 (Minor) storm conditions possible on 27-29 Sep and 11-14 Oct due to recurrent CH HSS activity. Mostly quiet conditions are expected for the remainder of the outlook period.

:Product: 27-day Space Weather Outlook Table 27DO.txt
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Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwire.html
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27-day Space Weather Outlook Table
Issued 2017-09-18
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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2017 Sep 18	75	15	4
2017 Sep 19	75	12	4
2017 Sep 20	75	10	3
2017 Sep 21	75	5	2
2017 Sep 22	75	5	2
2017 Sep 23	95	8	3
2017 Sep 24	110	18	5
2017 Sep 25	110	12	4
2017 Sep 26	110	8	3
2017 Sep 27	110	20	5
2017 Sep 28	110	20	5
2017 Sep 29	115	20	5
2017 Sep 30	115	18	4
2017 Oct 01	115	15	4
2017 Oct 02	115	12	4
2017 Oct 03	115	8	3
2017 Oct 04	115	5	2
2017 Oct 05	115	5	2

2017 Oct 06	115	5	2
2017 Oct 07	110	5	2
2017 Oct 08	85	5	2
2017 Oct 09	76	5	2
2017 Oct 10	75	5	2
2017 Oct 11	74	25	5
2017 Oct 12	73	25	5
2017 Oct 13	72	25	5
2017 Oct 14	72	20	5

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1896, DXLD)

GLENN`S PROPAGATION OUTLOOK FOR MEDIA NETWORK PLUS AS OF SEPT 21, 2017

Keith, From Space Weather Services, Australia, the global HF propagation forecast thru September 23: normal at low and middle latitudes, normal to fair at high latitudes.

From Space Weather South Africa thru September 23: magnetic conditions quiet to unsettled, shortwave fadeouts unlikely, MUF unstable.

From Met Office UK thru September 24, solar activity remaining low or very low, maybe enhanced on the 24th, with geomagnetic field reaching some active intervals.

F K Janda in Prague says the Geomagnetic field will be:
quiet to unsettled September 22, October 4, 6
quiet on September 23 - 24
quiet to active on September 25-26, 30, October 1 - 3, 7 - 8, 10 - 11
mostly quiet on September 27
active to disturbed on September 28 - 29, October 5, 9.

From the Space Environment Predixion Center, China, planetary A index rising from 3 on September 21 to a peak of 22 on September 27, and another peak of 31 on October 13. Solar flux-uating around 80, then climbing to a peak of 94 on October 11.

On the contrary, SWPC in Boulder sees solar flux jumping from 75 September 22, to 95 on the 23rd; on up to a peak of 115 lasting from September 29 to October 6, then down to 72 by the 13th. Geomagnetic field with G1 (Minor) storm conditions possible on Sept 27-29 with A and K indices of 20 and 5; more so October 11 to 13 at 25 and 5. Lowest A`s and K`s of 5 and 2, October 4 to 10.

William Hepburn`s VHF UHF maps show extreme tropospheric ducting:
off the coast of Morocco at least thru September 26;
over all Seas around the Arabian peninsula as far as India, all week;
between Korea and China September 24;
along the northwest coast of Australia, September 22-24;

and off the southeast Queensland coast September 26 (via DXLD)

TIPS FOR RATIONAL LIVING
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topical: SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE
EDITORIAL: Religious freedom and the protection of faith
Brady R. Henderson Sep 22, 2017 Updated 5 hrs ago
http://www.enidnews.com/opinion/editorial-religious-freedom-and-the-protection-of-faith/article_cab2a41a-0d23-5800-be29-a42e53ccb17e.html

Brady Henderson, American Civil Liberties Union of Oklahoma legal director and Enid native, answers a question during a news conference in Oklahoma City, Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2017. Sue Ogrocki | AP Photo

Editor's Note: To celebrate the 230th anniversary of our nationís founding document, we are inviting writers to submit guest editorials for civics week.

With the ratification of the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights, the framers of our nation placed into federal law the very hope and expectation of many colonists who had made the formidable journey across the Atlantic to seek out the right to worship (or not) as they saw fit. Those early colonists left countries whose governments routinely wielded religious authority to justify repression and injustice.

Over two centuries later, the principle and protection of religious liberty remain strong and clear in the First Amendmentís prohibition on government endorsement of, or interference with, matters of our faith. Unfortunately, sometimes our public officials are poor stewards of this constitutional legacy. Donald Trump now institutes de facto religious tests for those seeking immigration and naturalization services. Oklahoma lawmakers seek to broadcast their own purported righteousness on government granite, telling us what to believe and how to worship.

And just this week in the town of Mounds, Okla., we discovered a police chief who uses his government position and power to push his proselytizing.

These three examples all illustrate something many people overlook about the separation of church and state. While this principle is very much concerned with protecting government from religion when religion turns vile (to prevent the growth of things like the Taliban or ISIS, for instance), separation of church and state can be as much, if not more, about protecting religion from government. All three of the examples above violate not just the Constitution, but fundamental

principles of the very Christian faith they purport to advance. When politicians exploit our faiths for their purposes, both our institutions of faith and democracy suffer.

The founders of our nation understood that religious freedom is both costly to obtain and tempting to take. For those in power, co-opting religion offers a tantalizing candy store for perceived authority and legitimacy. That is perhaps why, in the hands of government officials, religion tends to be a force of repression and exploitation. In America alone, politicians and public officials have used purported teachings of Christianity to justify slavery, segregation, conquest, rape, torture, lynchings, forced sterilization and ethnic cleansing, just to name a few.

On the other hand, while in the hands of the people, religion is a force for liberation. Legal slavery and segregation were abolished in America in great part because people of faith stood up against their government and declared that a higher law demanded equality for all. It is this force for good that suffers most when the separation of church and state goes unrespected.

As we go about our lives under the umbrella of liberty our Constitution provides, it is important that we thank our founders not just for helping to ensure that our government remains free from religious encroachment, but that our religious beliefs remain freely ours. Both as a civil rights attorney and a practicing Christian, I am thankful daily that despite the best efforts of many a politician, my faith still belongs to me, not my government.

Henderson, an Enid native, is legal director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Oklahoma.

First Amendment: Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances (Enid Eagle Sept 22 via DXLD) ###